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The Bloomsburg National Bank

Having ample resources, conservative management and a strong Board of Directors, and being equipped with good facilities for the transaction of legitimate banking, this bank tenders its offices to those who appreciate careful and prompt service, intelligent attention to details and liberality of treatment; believing by this course it can be of real service to the business public.

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The County Statement

Auditors Still Delayed by the Failure of the Ex-Treasurer to Submit his Account.

The *Sentinel* of last week charges us with having called Jeremiah Snyder, ex-county treasurer, an embezzler. We have only to refer to our article to show that this is incorrect. In the issue of January 22 we said: "For withholding this money, and there is a large amount of it, Snyder is liable to be indicted for embezzlement, *if he refuses to pay after demand is made.*"

His term of office had expired, and he had neither submitted a statement to the commissioners, nor paid over the bulk of the county funds which he had in his hands, to his successor. It is not necessary that an official shall have spent the money in his hands. If he refuses to pay it over at the proper time he may be indicted. That is the law.

But Mr. Snyder has obviated this by making payment. He turned over to Treasurer Croop, on January 28th, over $89000 of the county funds.

He has not yet complied with the law relating to stating his accounts. The act of 15 April 1834, concerning the duty of county Treasurer says:

"And he shall once in each year, state his accounts, and produce his vouchers, which after examination by the commissioners shall be by them laid before the county auditors for settlement according to law."

It will be seen from this that it was his duty to have his statement ready for the commissioners to be submitted by them to the auditors. That statement has not yet been made, and the auditors are being delayed in their work. It is not their duty to go through the books as expert accountants and make up a statement for the treasurer, but merely to verify the statement as made up by him, from the books. We are informed that it is their intention to wait until such a statement is submitted.

We do not know what the *Sentinel* means by our being "drawn into a trap." If the demand of a newspaper that a public officer shall do that which the law requires him to do is a trap, then we admit that we fell into it. As to what some imaginary "gang" proposes to do with the county funds, we have no knowledge. The Treasurer has given bond for the safe-keeping of the money, and he is responsible for it.

Whirled by a Fly Wheel.

Curtis Mench of Roaring Creek Valley narrowly eecaped beath at the mill of the Brush Valley Lumber Company on Tuesday of last week. Caught in a torn belt he was hurled under the fly wheel with terrific force and was severely bruised about the head. Nothing less than a miracle prevented his being killed. Catching three of the braces in the shed roof they were torn out. Dr. Wintersteen dressed the young man's injuries.

Rev. M. E. McLinn, of the Lutheran church, on Friday evening married John W. Larned and Miss Hattie Beagle. The ceremony took place at the Lutheran parsonage. The bride is a popular young lady of Millville. The groom, a few years ago, came here from Huntington Mills, Luz. County. He is now traveling salesman for Young, Smyth, Field & Co. of Philadelphia.

Two Trains Meet Head on Near Lofty.

Two Dead As a Result of the Collision. Seven Passengers Among the Injured.

The Philadelphia flyer on the Pennsylvania Railroad, running between Wilkes-Barre and Philadelphia, collided with a light freight train near Lofty, Schuylkill county, at 6:20 Friday evening. The engineer and fireman of the freight train were killed, the engineer and fireman of the passenger train seriously hurt and seven passengers injured, two of them very seriously.

The names of the killed are:

Robert Moyer, engineer; Fred Gearhart, fireman.

Both men resided at Wetherly, Carbon county. The engineer of the flyer was Israel Carey, of Pottsville, and the fireman John Smith, of the same town. Smith was taken out of the wreck unconscious and is now in the Hazleton hospital. Engineer Carey proceeded to his home in Pottsville under a physician's care.

Between Hazleton and Lofty three is a single track which is used by both the Lehigh Valley and Pennsylvania Railroads. Through a misunderstanding of orders both trains got on this single stretch of track. The freight engine, one car and caboose was coming north and rnnning about fifteen miles an hour. The flyer was speeding over the rails at about 35 miles an hour. Both trains were very close to each other before the engineers saw the danger. Then the engineer of the passenger train applied the emergency brakes but not in time to avert a collision. Both locomotives came together with a terrible crash. The freight engine leaped over the top of the express car and plunged imto the chair car. The passengers in this car were hurled in every direction. The porter, Harry Hayward, colored, was thrown against the ceiling and probably fatally injured. The hot coals from the fire box set fire to the chair car and it was destroyed in a short time.

A wreck train was sent out from Hazleton with a number of doctors on board. The injured were taken to the Hazleton hospital. It is said the engineer of the freight train had an order to take a side track and allow the flyer to pass, but failed to reach the siding before the passenger train arrived. The railroad officials stated Friday night that none of the passengers were seriously injured, and all were able to resume their journeys next morning.

Good Advise From the Bench.

At the opening of crimnal court in Sunbury Monday morning Judge Savidge addressed the grand jury and severely scored those persons who bring petty cases to court. He stated that the September term had cost the county $25,000 and December term almost as much. He advised the jury to ignore the petty cases as the county was already in debt.

The Columbia county representatives in the State Legislature have been recognized on several of the important committees of the House which were announced last week, the following being a list of the committees on which each will serve: Creasy—Agriculture, Legislature, Public Roads, Ways and Means; Ikeler—Judiciary, Library, Pensions and Gratuities, Public Health and Sanitation, Ways and Means.

Money Saved Right Here

ALL EYES THIS WAY.

TIME'S UP and every article in Men's, Boys, and Children's Clothing, Hats and Haberdashery must now leave our store P. D. Q.

We're going to shrivel the prices on piles of seasonable merchandise so that every dollar bill will appear to be twice its ordinary value.

The sale opens with a great bargain broadside all along the line. Come and enjoy mixing with the buying throngs and save BIG, HARD, ROUND DOLLARS.

THE REASON.

The reason for this sale is that we don't propose to carry over our stock until another season. We can use the money and want it.

Ben Gidding,

Bloomsburg, Pa.---Corner Main and Centre Sts.

Come in and see us we'll treat you right.

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Our customers can spend a pleasant hour in this department of our store in studying the collections of

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A glance through our stock will satisfy our customers that our prices are secure from competition.

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of all grades is larger than all the stocks of the city combined.

We have a number of rolls of dropped patterns, which we are closing out at cut prices. Quality just as good; but we are not going to duplicate the patterns.

We can SAVE YOU MONEY on these.

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Closing out our winter stock of Shirt Waists and we have cut prices to a low figure. Here are a few Fancy Striped, Slot Opening, from $1.25 to 75 cents.

French Flannel, all shades, stitched and trimmed with large pearl buttons, from $2.50, and $2.25 to $1.50.

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The Leader Store Company Ltd.,

4th and Market Streets.

Death of Thomas J. Sullivan.

The death of Thomas J. Sullivan, occurred at his home at Rupert Friday morning. The cause of his death was that disease which in spite of the research, study and experiments of eminent physicians, through many generations, there has never been found a cure, consumption. Early last summer he was taken with the disease, and since that time he had been gradually sinking.

For eighteen years he had lived in Rupert. He went there in 1885, and entered the employ of L. H. Boody. Then he was only fourteen years of age. He continued with Mr. Boody, up until quite recently when he bought him out, and has since conducted the business. Mr. Sullivan was 32 years of age and leaves a wife and three children. He is also survived by two sisters and two brothers, Hannah, Julia, Dennis and Rev. D. J. Sullivan. The first three reside in Bloomsburg, while the latter is located at Shamokin. The funeral took place on Monday. The remains were taken to Almedia and buried in the cemetery there.

A Nice Salary This.

John Chesbro, the star pitcher of the National League last year, who has signed for next season with the New York American League club, will recieve a salary of $8000 for his services. He is the highest salaried baseball pitcher on the diamond. Chesbro, if he pitches on an average of two games a week, will receive 333.33 a game. Averaging six balls, including fouls, for each batsman, with thirty-six of them at the plate in nine innings, Chesbro will receive $1.85 every time he pitches a ball to the catcher in the game.

DOBLIN ONLY BLAMED

House Naval Committee Reports on Bribery Case.

ARMY APPROPRIATION BILL PASSED

Measure Adopted by Senate Places Chief of the General Staff Exclusively Under the President's Direction.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—The house committee on naval affairs has reported to the house its findings in the matter of the investigation of the Lessler bribery charges. A minority report signed by Representatives Kitchin (Dem., N. C.), Vandiver (Dem., Mo.) and Roberts (Rep., Mass.) also was submitted.

These are the findings: Representative Lessler was offered a bribe by Philip Doblin. Doblin acted on his own initiative and responsibility. Lemuel E. Quigg was not implicated in any way with the matter.

The evidence does not show that the Holland Torpedo Boat company or any of its officers or agents had anything to do with the offering of a bribe to Representative Lessler.

The senate passed without objection or discussion the Elkins bill to further regulate railroad transportation. It is one of a number of measures presented in this congress concerning corporations and has particular reference to railroads. The text of the bill, with the amendments made in committee, have been published heretofore.

The army appropriation bill, which went over Monday at the request of Mr. Pettus, was passed. The provision establishing a general staff was eliminated. Later the independent measure, identical in its provisions with the general staff section of the army bill, was passed after having been reconsidered to permit the incorporation of an amendment by Mr. Berry placing the chief of staff exclusively under the direction of the president. The bill now goes to conference.

The house spent practically the whole day on claims bills coming over from last week. Mr. Payne, the floor leader of the majority, fought them all, but succeeded in defeating only three bills. After the claims measures were disposed of general debate on the post-office appropriation bill was resumed, and Mr. Robb (Mo.) addressed the house on the trust question. At the conclusion of his remarks the house, at 5:05 p. m., adjourned.

A Mighty Oil Gusher.

VAN WERT, O., Feb. 3.—Last night the drill struck what appeared to be the biggest gusher ever found in northwestern Ohio on the Joseph Agler farm, six miles from this city. As soon as pay sand was struck the greasy fluid dashed forth in a solid stream high above the derrick. A large force of men was immediately put to work digging cisterns, but they had eventually to abandon the project, as the well flowed faster than cisterns could be made. Scores of farmers of the vicinity volunteered their services, and finally large embankments were thrown around the many cisterns to catch the overflow. For over twenty-four hours it has been flowing without any signs of abating, and unless it is soon got under control the fluid will break its bounds and flood the community.

Dowie to Convert New York.

KENOSHA, Wis., Feb. 2.—John Alexander Dowie, the religious zealot who by his personal magnetism has built up a city of 10,000 people just south of this city, announces that he has decided to take the Restoration Host to New York and make an effort to secure 100,000 converts to Dowieism in Greater New York. For his great work he has taken options on Madison Square Garden and Carnegie hall, and he is to have a lease on them early in the summer.

Breaks All Records.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—All speed records for runs of more than a mile have been broken by the Empire State express, the New York Central railroad's flier, according to the train dispatcher's sheet received at the Grand Central station. The train covered the 7.29 miles between Palmyra and Macedon, N. Y., in four minutes flat, a speed at the rate of 109.35 miles an hour.

Died Aged 115 Years.

STRATFORD, Ont., Feb. 4.—Mary Ann Mills, the oldest woman in Canada, has just died at her home in Woodham. She was in her one hundred and fifteenth year, having been born in the County of Fermanagh, Ireland, on Oct. 18, 1788. With her husband she came to Canada in 1857. Up to within a few months ago she was very bright and active.

Mrs. Miller's Will.

UTICA, N. Y., Feb. 4.—The will of Caroline C. Miller, wife of former United States Senator Warner Miller, just admitted to probate in Herkimer, gives the value of the estate at $75,000 personal and $20,000 real estate. Colonel John W. Vrooman is one of the witnesses. The husband is sole executor.

Fast Train to Be Discontinued.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 2.—Discontinuance of the Pennsylvania special, the twenty hour train between New York and Chicago, over the Pennsylvania railroad and the Fort Wayne will be ordered within a few days. Freight congestion is the cause for this action.

Enormous Movement of Freight.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 2.—Fully 20,000 freight cars were moved on the Pittsburg division of the several railroads during Saturday and Sunday. The weather was favorable, and each line put forth special efforts to relieve the congested condition of the yards.

MANY CANAL SCHEMES.

Six Propositions For Improvement Up at Albany.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 3.—Six propositions affecting the canals are now under discussion in the legislature:

First.—The Bostwick bill, which will be the subject of a hearing before the joint canals committees of the two houses in the senate chamber this afternoon. This bill provides for the submission to the people at the next general election of a proposition to bond the state for not exceeding $82,000,000 for the enlargement into a twelve foot barge canal of the Erie, Oswego and Champlain canals, with changes in the course of the Erie so as to avoid the Montezuma marshes, etc., and follow the course of the Seneca river, on Onondaga and Oneida lakes and Mohawk river. This bill has been reported, ordered reprinted and placed on second reading.

Second.—Senator Lewis' plan providing for a continuance by the United States goverment of surveys for a ship canal between Lake Erie and the Hudson.

Third—Senator Ambler's proposition favoring the amendment of the state constitution so that the canals can be sold or leased to the United States government.

Fourth.—A proposition not yet fully formulated to issue bonds for $132,000,000, the whole to be expended under the general head of "internal improvement" at the discretion of the state engineer and surveyor, but with the understanding that $82,000,000 is to go to the canal enlargement, $25,000,000 to water storage and $25,000,000 for half of the expense of road improvement, the counties paying half.

Fifth.—To fill in the canal and use it as the roadbed of a six track railroad to be leased by the state to the corporation bidding the lowest rate for transportation.

Sixth.—A proposition to lease the canals to the company or corporation which is building the Georgian bay canal, Canada, so that they may come directly down through the Champlain canal, thence by the Hudson river to New York.

MEMORIAL TO JEFFERSON.

An Appeal Issued For Funds by President Dewey.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—The Thomas Jefferson Memorial association organized for the purpose of erecting at the national capital an appropriate and truly national memorial to the "author of the Declaration of Independence," through its president, Admiral George Dewey, has issued an appeal to the American people for funds to carry out the object of the association.

The association is now complete in its list of officers, every state being represented by a vice president and in some cases by a representative on the board of governors, the controlling body.

Snowslides In Colorado.

SILVERTON, Colo., Feb. 4.—Numerous snowslides have occurred in this vicinity during the past forty-eight hours, but no fatality has been reported. At Howardsville, four miles east of Silverton, F. A. Hayes, aged thirty-five years, superintendent of the Big Five Mining company, was caught by a slide and killed. Fully six feet of snow fell above the timber line during the storm, which began on Sunday and continued until yesterday. No train has reached Silverton for three days, and none is expected for a few days more, as many snowslides have occurred along the railroad between Durango and Silverton.

Boats Must Wait For Spring.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Feb. 4.—According to official advices there is no hope for ten American and three colonial fishing vessels with cargoes of herring which are frozen in an ice floe in the Bay of Islands escaping until the spring. The proposal to dispatch a sealing steamer to cut out these vessels has been abandoned because the whole of the gulf of St. Lawrence is full of floe ice which the schooners would be unable to work through even if they were freed from the icefield in the bay.

Cripple Creek Gold Output.

COLORADO SPRINGS, Colo., Feb. 2.—The Cripple Creek January gold production was 59,905 tons of $27 average value, or $1,943,850 total gross value. The smelters treated 12,555 tons of $60 average. The mill ore averaged from $5 a ton for 1,600 tons treated by the Arequa cyanide mill to $35 a ton for 2,800 tons treated by the Dorcas plant. The successful treating of $5 ore by the Arequa mill is the most significant event of Cripple Creek during the winter.

Died In Her Lonely Sod House.

CESTOS, Okla., Feb. 2.—Miss Mary Hostetler, a homesteader, was found dead in her sod house on the plains west of Cestos in western Oklahoma this week by cowboys from a ranch, her nearest neighbors five miles away. The girl had been living alone on her homestead. She was adventurous and daring, and the terrors of loneliness had no effect on her. She came here from Indiana.

A Gift to Columbia.

NEW YORK, Feb. 3.—Announcement of a gift of $100,000 from the Duke de Loubat for the endowment of a chair of archeology in Columbia university was made at the meeting of the board of trustees. The trustees appointed Marshall H. Saville of the Museum of Natural History as the first incumbent of the chair.

Former Senator Dawes Ill.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., Feb. 3.—Former United States Senator Henry L. Dawes is seriously ill at his home in this city. That his condition is dangerous is shown by the fact that grave fears are held for his recovery. Mr. Dawes is eighty-six years of age.

CASTRO'S FORCE WON

Venezuelan Rebels Routed and Many Prisoners Taken.

VICTORS LED BY A WEST POINTER

Insurgent Army Was Taken by Surprise About Fifty Miles South of Caracas—Seven Hours of Hard Fighting.

CARACAS, Venezuela, Feb. 4.—The government troops under General Alcantara, a graduate from West Point, have defeated a force of rebels numbering 900 under the revolutionary general Ducharme on the Camatagua river, about fifty miles south of Caracas. The rebels were routed. Their ammunition and 230 prisoners were captured.

On the receipt of the news of the victory prices on the Stock Exchange here jumped four points.

Since the rout of General Matos and his army of 10,000 men by President Castro near La Victoria Oct. 18 the remnants of the rebel forces have been dispersed in all directions. These scattered bodies of rebels, believing, as reported by General Matos' committee, that arms and ammunition had been landed, lately reunited and to the number of about 2,000, under Generals Rolando and Ducharme, assembled at Altagracia, at the entrance to the gulf of Maracaibo, and at Orituco, a village sixty miles south of Caracas.

General Ducharme, with 900 men, advanced up the Camatagua river. President Castro sent a force of 1,000 troops against him under General Alcantara, who took the rebels by surprise and destroyed them after a seven hours' fight. Alcantara captured 30 officers and 200 soldiers, 40,000 rounds and all the rebels' reserve ammunition and 50 animals. The balance of Ducharme's army fled in the direction of Orituco.

SETTLEMENT PREDICTED.

Hopeful Feeling at Washington Regarding Venezuelan Case.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—There are as yet no advices from the allied governments respecting the nature of the next proposal they will submit to Mr. Bowen, Venezuela's representative, for a settlement of their claims, but there is good authority for the statement that the note of Mr. Bowen addressed to the British ambassador will result in an adjustment of the trouble.

At the British embassy an important conference of the representatives of the allies here was held among themselves yesterday. Mr. Bowen of course was not present. The conference was called to consider the recommendations which the Italian and British ambassadors and the German minister should make to their governments as to the next step to be taken.

As a result of this conference the foreign offices at London, Berlin and Rome are in possession of suggestions which if adopted will mean the success of the Washington negotiations and the raising of the blockade. The allied powers have been again requested by their representatives to consent to priority of payment of their claims for a limited period only and equality of all claimant nations thereafter. Mr. Bowen has stated that he is willing that the allies receive preferential treatment for one month if at the end of that time all the claimant nations be placed on an equal basis as to time and proportionate payments.

It is the conviction of one of the negotiators at least that this proposition of Mr. Bowen is eminently fair. It involves a compromise of the powers' original request for six years' preferential treatment, but will enable them to retain a part at least of their prestige. The feeling is growing that persistence in their present position can result only in loss of prestige for the allies and bad feeling against them not only in Venezuela, but elsewhere throughout the Americas.

To Colonize Venezuela.

JOPLIN, Mo., Feb. 3.—"The Venezuela company," which organized here several days ago to enlist men for colonization in Venezuela, has, it is stated, enlisted over a thousand man, all with military training. Some of them are stated to have held commissions in the United States army and navy. Applications for membership are pouring in from all parts of the United States and Canada. The company expects to secure large land grants from the Venezuelan government.

Vermont Votes High License.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION, Vt., Feb. 4.—Returns in yesterday's vote on the question of accepting the high license local option law passed by the legislature in all but eleven out of 246 cities and towns in the state give: Yes, 30,358; no, 26,869. The indications are that the high license local option law has been accepted by the voters by 2,000 majority. Vermont has had a prohibitory law for over fifty years.

Civil War In Honduras.

PANAMA, Feb. 4.—A cablegram received from Honduras announces that civil war has broken out in that country. According to the dispatch General Sierra, the retiring president, having refused to give up the presidential post to the president elect, Senor Bonilla, the latter has started a civil war. The date of the revolutionary outbreak is not known.

Captain Dickey Confirmed.

ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 3.—The nomination of Captain Joseph M. Dickey for railroad commissioner to succeed Ashley W. Cole was confirmed by the senate by a vote of 26 to 20. It was a strict party vote, the three bolting Republican senators, Brackett, Brown and Elsberg, standing with the majority.

STEEL TRUST PROSPERS.

Largest Bookings of Orders Ever Held—Profit Sharing a Success.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—After a meeting of the directors of the United States Steel corporation held here Judge Gary, chairman, gave out the following statement:

"The subsidiary companies of the United States Steel corporation at the present time have orders on their books for over 5,500,000 tons, which are the largest unfilled bookings that they have ever had.

"The books for subscription to stock under the profit sharing plan closed on Saturday evening, Jan. 31, and the stock was subscribed for as follows:

"Twenty-seven thousand six hundred and thirty-three men subscribed for 51,125 shares.

"Class E, composed of men who receive salaries of $800 to $2,500 a year, subscribed for 20,013 shares, 14,200 men subscribing.

"Class F, which is composed of men who receive $800 or less in wages, subscribed for 15,038 shares, 12,170 men subscribing.

"The board of directors voted to allot to class F all the stock they subscribed for and to class E 90 per cent, class D 80 per cent, class C 70 per cent, class B 60 per cent and class A 50 per cent of the stock for which these respective classes subscribed."

Marquand Sale a Record Breaker.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2.—For the sale of Henry G. Marquand's collection to reach a total of nearly $750,000 is a distinction which will make this sale memorable in art annals not only here but abroad. According to the revised figures, the entire sale brought the total proceeds to the handsome aggregate of $706,019.75. This sum makes the Marquand sale the most successful sale of the class of objects represented in Mr. Marquand's collection which has been held in New York. The sensational incident of the closing afternoon was the sale of the royal Persian rug, No. 1,305 of the catalogue, for $38,000. There are, it is declared, only six such rugs known in the world. A Gobelin tapestry sold for $15,000.

Hobson Resigns.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 2.—Naval Constructor Richmond Pearson Hobson, the hero of the Merrimac episode, has tendered his resignation to President Roosevelt through the secretary of the navy. Rear Admiral H. C. Taylor, chief of the bureau of navigation, has recommended that the resignation be accepted, and Rear Admiral Bowles, the chief naval constructor, is credited with having taken the same action. The action of Mr. Hobson was the result of the failure of congress to pass the bill providing for his retirement and a recent order assigning him to duty on the Pacific coast.

Eleven Burned to Death.

VANCOUVER, B. C., Feb. 3.—In a fire which broke out on Malcolm island, some distance up the coast from Vancouver, in a common living house where twenty-four families lived eleven women and children were burned to death and seventeen other people were injured.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL.

Closing Stock Quotations.

Money on call easy at 3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 4½@5 per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.87@4.87¼ for demand and at $4.84@4.84¼ for 60 day bills. Posted rates, $4.84½ and $4.87½. Commercial bills, $4.83@4.84. Bar silver, 47⅝c. Mexican dollars, 37½c. Government bonds steady. Railroad bonds easier. Closing prices:

Atchison	87¾	Ontario & West.	34½
Ches. & Ohio	52	People's Gas	107¼
Del. & Hudson	182	Reading	62⅛
Erie	41	Rock Island	48¾
Gen. Electric	192¾	St. Paul	178
Lead	28¾	Sugar Refinery	128⅞
Louis. & Nash.	126¼	Texas Pacific	40
Manhattan Con.	145	Union Pacific	101⅝
Missouri Pac.	111⅞	Wabash pref.	47½
N. Y. Central	150¼	West. Union	89¾

New York Markets.

FLOUR—Steady, but dull; Minnesota patents, $4.10@4.30; winter straights, $3.50@3.65; winter extras, $2.80@3.10; winter patents, $3.65@4.

WHEAT—Opened easy on cables, but recovered on active covering, strong late French advices and light northwest receipts; May, 81 5-16@81¾c.; July, 78½@78¾c.

RYE—State, 56@57½c., c. i. f. New York; No. 2 western, 61c., f. o. b., afloat.

CORN—Also recovered from an early decline, reflecting the upturn in wheat.

OATS—Dull, but firmly held; track, white, state, 43@46c.; track, white, western, 43@46c.

PORK—Steady; mess, $18@18.50; family, $18.75@19.

LARD—Dull; prime western steam, 9.90c.

BUTTER—Quiet; state dairy, 18@25c.; extra creamery, 26c.

CHEESE—Firm; state, full cream, fancy, small, colored, fall made, 14½c.; late made, 13¾@14c.; small, white, fall made, 14¼@14½c.; late made, 13¾c.; large, colored, fall made, 14½c.; late made, 13¾c.; large, white, fall made, 14¼c.; late made, 13¾c.

EGGS—Weak; state and Pennsylvania, average best, 25c.; western, fancy, 23c.

SUGAR—Raw nominal; fair refining, 3 3-16c.; centrifugal, 96 test, 3 11-16c.; refined dull; crushed, 5.35c.; powdered, 4.85c.

RICE—Firm; domestic, 4⅛@6⅛c.; Japan, nominal.

TALLOW—Steady; city, 6⅛c.; country, 6¼@6½c.

HAY—Steady; shipping, 55@70c.; good to choice, 95c.@$1.05.

Live Stock Market.

CATTLE—Market steady; choice, $5.10@5.25; prime, $4.80@5; good, $4.50@4.75; veal calves, $7.50@8.

HOGS—Market slow; prime heavies and mediums, $7@7.05; heavy Yorkers, $6.95@7; light Yorkers, $6.90@6.95; pigs, $6.85@6.90; roughs, $5.50@6.35.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Market steady; choice wethers, $4.65@4.80; culls and common, $2@2.50; choice lambs, $6@6.10.

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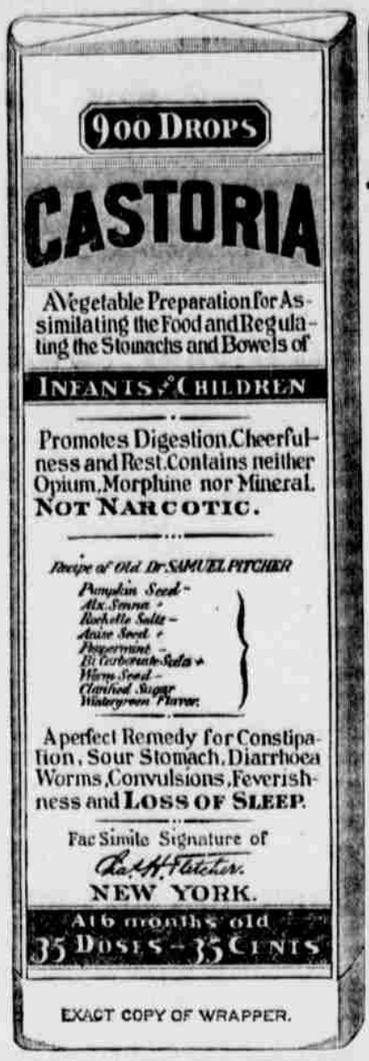
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A Thief is a Thief.

Here is a plain proposition. A man who steals is a thief—it don't matter whether he belongs to a class in a college or a bum among hoboes. It don't matter whether he steals a dog or a ham or a pocketbook.

THE MARKETS.

BLOOMSBURG MARKETS.

CORRECTED WEEKLY.	RETAIL PRICES.
Butter, per pound	$ 24
Eggs, per dozen	28
Lard, per pound	15
Ham, per pound	15 to 16
Beef (quarter), per pound	6 to 8
Wheat, per bushel	1 00
Oats, do	40
Rye, do	60
Flour per bbl.	4.00 to 4 40
Hay, per ton	16 00
Potatoes, (new), per bushel	75
Turnips, do	40
Tallow, per pound	06
Shoulder, do	12
Bacon, do	16
Vinegar, per qt	05
Dried apples, per pound	05
Cow hides, do	3½
Steer do do	05
Calf skin	80
Sheep pelts	75
Shelled corn, per bushel	80
Corn meal, cwt	2 00
Bran, cwt	1 20
Chop, cwt	1 50
Middlings, cwt	1 40
Chickens, per pound, new	12
do do old	12
Turkeys do	15
Geese, do	14
Ducks, do	11
COAL.	
Number 6, delivered	3 50
do 4 and 5 delivered	4 45
do 6, at yard	3 10
do 4 and 5, at yard	4 25

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Eliza B. Brower, late of the town of Bloomsburg, County of Columbia, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to E. B. Brower, resident of said town, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to E. B. BROWER.

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WIFE SLAYER CITES DEITY.

Call on God to Paralyze a Convicting Witness.

In the presence of a large assemblage of attorneys and spectators, who filled every inch of floor space inside of the railing and crowded the aisles of the Court House in Sunbury, Judge Savidge, Monday afternoon, sentenced Jacob S. Gerhardt the Shamokin wife slayer, to death.

When the Judge asked the prisoner if he had anything to say why sentence should not be imposed upon him, Gerhardt, with uplifted hand and with a somewhat trembling but strong voice exclaimed:

"Yes sir, your Honor! I am not guilty, but as innocent as a child in the cradle, and I ask for a new trial, because I was tried by a prejudiced jury. Mr. Brown testified at the trial that he had shaken hands and talked with me at the jail, which was not true, as every one knows that you could not extend your hand through the cell door.

As a proof of this he named Sheriff Dietrick and Warden Corcoran. Trembling with emotion which he could not conceal, and with his finger pointing toward Heaven, he cried out in a loud tone of voice:

"God is going to paralyze Mr. Brown's tongue, so that he cannot tell the truth or a lie, for he is a dangerous man to both man and beast."

Gerhardt partly broke down when uttering these words: but soon regaining his composure he told of other testimony which he claimed was prejudiced against him.

"I raise my hand before God that I never wrote those letters produced against me, or saw them before the trial. I am sorry, Judge, that you can not give me a new trial to prove all that I have said; but the Supreme Court will not leave a man mount the scaffold that is convicted by a prejudiced trial."

Counsel for Gerhardt will appeal his case to the Supreme Court.

IMPORTANT NEW LAW.

It Relates to the Collection of Unpaid Taxes—Some Marked Changes.

A new law went into effect on January 1, relating to unseated lands and municipal liens, or unpaid taxes. Under the new arrangement the tax collectors of the various boroughs and townships will now make their report of unseated lands, and the amount of tax thereon, to the prothonotary, who will enter it on the new dockets. The tax thereon becomes a lien on the land described in each return. At any time thereafter the commissioners may issue a scire facias and reduce the lien to a judgment, after which the property may be sold by the sheriff the same as on any other judgment.

Under the old law the unseated lands, that is, where the owner could not be found, were returned by the collectors to the office of the county commissioners. The returns were in due time certified to the county treasurer, whose duty it was to keep the list and sell the properties at public auction every two years. The real owners had a chance to redeem the land so sold within two years, but if this was not done the sale stood. Many people kept watch on such sales and obtained titles to valuable properties in this way. The new plan will do away with all this.

One feature is very plain. The costs will be made much greater than heretofore. A man who has a sale to gain a title to a piece of land will now have to pay the full value of the same, if the piece be small and of little consequence.

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WASHINGTON.

From our Regular Correspondent.

Washington, February 2, 1903.

It is fast becoming evident that President Roosevelt is estranging the leaders of his party by his persistent effort to force negro office-holders on Southern cities. Already one republican senator who hails from New England, but will not permit the use of his name, has told your correspondent that he is opposed to the appointment of W. D. Crum, as Collector of the Port of Charlestown, S. C., and that he will oppose the ratification of his nomination by the Senate and there are good grounds for believing that there are several other prominent senators who hold the same view although they will not admit it. The nomination of Crum has already been the subject of two secret sessions of the Senate Commerce committee, before which appeared Mayor Smyth and Mr. J. Calvin Hemphill of Charleston and their testimony made a strong impression. Said the Senator referred to, today, "We would not tolerate a negro collector of customs in our state nor would we tolerate a negro postmaster in our principal towns and cities. The President is going too far in his quixotic attempt to demonstrate his regard for negroes and in the end he will injure his party."

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Southern senators and representatives have already protested that the President, in his insane desire to capture the negro vote, would precipitate race hatred and stir up strife and their predictions have been sustained by the mass meeting held here this week for "the promotion of the cause of the negro" at which James H. Hayes, whom Mr. Roosevelt would term "an educated negro" declared, "The time has come when the negro must fight—not theoretically, not intellectually, but fight with his hands. I am afraid we are anarchistic, that we are anarchists, and I give the warning that if this oppression in the South continues the negro must resort to the sword and the torch and that the Southland will become a land of blood and desolation." The man who presided over this meeting was Cyrus Field Adams, another "educated negro" and assistant registrar of the Treasury, the negro whom Mr. Roosevelt invites to the White House social entertainments. Adams made no protest at Hayes' incendiary language and made a speech himself little less dangerous in character. It is common comment that were Adams a white man and had he participated in and presided over a meeting at which such anarchistic and incendiary language was used no one would be quicker to demand his discharge than Mr. Roosevelt.

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Senator Quay sprang a surprise on the republican leaders yesterday with regard to the Statehood bill from which they have not yet recovered and which, in so far as it has been studied, seems to constitute a triumph for the astuteness of Mr. Quay and to pressage the passage of the Omnibus Statehood bill. Mr. Quay has introduced the Statehood bill in the form of amendments to the Agricultural and the Sundry Civil Appropriation bills with the request that they be referred to the Committee on Organization and Conduct of the Executive Departments, of which he is chairman and a majority of whose members are pledged to support him in the Statehood fight. Unless the President pro-tem, of the Senate departs from all precedent and refuses to refer the amendments to the committee as requested by Mr. Quay, a favorable report to the Senate will be assured, the passage by the Senate of the bills named will be impossible without permitting the amendment to come to a vote and as Senator Quay represents a considerable majority of the Senate his object will be accomplished in the upper chamber.

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While the Statehood bill occupies the floor of the Senate there is no opportunity for anti-trust legislation but it is fast becoming evident that were it not the Statehood bill it would be something else for the republicans are determined that there shall be no effective anti-trust legislation at this session The House is ready to pass the Littlefield anti-trust bill which has received the sanction of the Administration and will doubtless do so at an early date but that it will never get through the Senate is the confident prediction of those in a position to know. It is barely possible that the Elkins bill, which affects only rebates on transportation charges, will be passed by the Senate but even if it does its success in conference will be doubtful.

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The recent passage by the House of the minority Philippine coinage bill has stirred up a hornet's nest, and it is predicted in some quarters that Secretary of the Treasury Shaw will be forced out of the Cabinet as a result of his advocacy of that measure. The bill passed extends the gold standard to the Philippines and received the unanimous support of the democrats. The majority bill provided for the use of silver at a ratio of 32 to 1. Secretary Shaw is a logical advocate of the gold standard and would apply it in the Philippines as well as in the United States but Secretary Root, who fathered the majority bill, appreciates the evils of an absolute gold standard and attempted to temporize along the line outlined. The Senate will pass the Majority bill and it is predicted that the whole measure will be lost in conference. The alleged disaffection of those republicans who rallied to Secretary Shaw's leadership, will, it is claimed, defeat the Fowler "Elastic Currency" bill in the House, as the members of the Insular affairs Committee are whetting their knives for Mr. Fowler's scalp because of his advocacy of the minority Philippine bill.

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The investigation of the Holland Torpedo Boat scandal is to be ended with a whitewash for the members of the house and Philip Doblin will be made the scapegoat. At the same time it will doubtless render the members of Congress extremely chary of investigation in submarine torpedo boats. It is well known that the navy Department officials do not approve of this type of vessel and it has been frequently remarked that the enthusiasm of members of Congress in this direction was peculiar and hard to account for. Representave Lessler will be pronounced by the Committee on Navel Affairs to have proven his charge that he was offered a bribe of $5,000 by Doblin, but who prompted Doblin to make the offer the committee was unable to determine.

Carpenters on a Strike.

Wilkes-Barre carpenters, members of the union, are out on a strike. They demand an increase of seventy-five cents per day and a uniform price of $3.00 per day. So far 650 men are affected. No bitterness is shown between the employee and the employer. If no settlement can be reached on the demands made within a reasonable time the strike will extend to Harrisburg, Berwick, Morrisville, Pa., and Trenton, N. J., where many of the master builders of the city have large forces of men employed.

The February *Lippincott's Magazine* serves up a delicate dish of fiction in its "Complete Novel" by Mrs. Alice Duer Miller. It is called "A Man of His Word," and tells the story of Dickie Dyson's match with the daughter of a lady in whose death by a street accident he felt implicated. He was pledged to marry Philippa, but she was not in his set. She was a school teacher, and the reader may fancy the scandalous consequences which a skilful pen turns into a happy result.

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STATE COLLEGE TRUSTEES.

Annual Meeting Elects Officers—Encouraging Reports of New Buildings.

The regular annual meeting of the trustees of the State College was held last Friday at Harrisburg in the office of the Superintendent of Public instruction in the Capitol building. Those present were Governor Pennypacker, who is ex officio a member of the Board; ex-Governor James A. Beaver, ex Lieutenant Governor Charles W. Stone, Colonel Hiram Young, of York; Dr. N. C. Schaeffer, Superintendent of Public Instruction; Professor John Hamilton, Secretary of Agriculture; Dr. M. E. Conrad, of Chester county; Colonel John A. Woodward, of Center county; Colonel R. H. Thomas, of Mechanicsburg; Gabriel Hiester, of Harrisburg; H. V. White, of Bloomsburg; W. F. Hill, of Crawford county, Master of the State Grange, and Dr. Geo. W. Atherton, President of the State College.

The followiug officers of the Board of Trustees were named for the ensuing year:

President, General James A. Beaver.

Secretary, Dr. Geo. W. Atherton.

Treasurer, Professor John Hamilton.

Executive Committee, General Beaver, Colonel Woodward, Mr. Hiester, Mr. White and Dr. Atherton.

Advisory Committee of Experiment Station, Colonel Woodward, Mr. Hill, Mr. White, Dr. Conrad and Dr. Atherton.

Governor Pennypacker manifested a great interest in the work of the college, asking many questions regarding its methods and work. Dr. Atherton reported that the auditorium at the college for which Charles M. Schwab, President of the United States Steel Corporation, provided the funds and the estimated cost of which will be about $150,000; is well under way. The contractors have enclosed the building with a complete shed, so that work can proceed all Winter and they expect to have it ready for the next commencement.

In addition President Atherton reported that several plans have been received from leading architects for the construction of a library for which Andrew Carnegie has given $100,000 It is expected that within a week or ten days a plan will be adopted and that work on the library building will be begun in the coming Spring.

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RAILROAD TIME TABLE

LACKAWANNA RAILROAD.

BLOOMSBURG DIVISION.

In effect Jan. 26, 1902

STATIONS.	EAST. A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M
NORTHUMBERLAND	‡6 35	1.50	10 00	‡5 25
Cameron	6 47	12 01	10 10	‡5 34
Danville	6 57	2 11	10 19	5 43
Catawissa	7 10	2 23	10 32	6
Rupert	7 16	2 29	10 37	6 01
Bloomsburg	7 20	2 35	10 41	6 05
Espy	7 28	2 40	10 48	6 13
Lime Ridge	7 35	12 46	‡10 54	6 20
Willow Grove	‡7 40	12 50	10 57	6 24
Briarcreek	7 44	12 53	10 59	‡6 27
Berwick	7 50	2 58	11 05	6 34
Beach Haven	7 58	3 03	‡11 12	6 41
Hick's Ferry	8 07	3 09	‡11 17	‡6 47
Shickshinny	8 17	3 20	11 31	6 59
Huntock's	8 27	3 31	11 39	‡7 09
Nanticoke	8 34	3 38	11 44	7 14
Avondale	8 37	3 42	11 47	7 22
Plymouth	8 44	3 47	11 52	7 28
Plymouth Junction	8 47	3 52	11 55	7 30
Kingston	8 55	4 00	11 59	7 38
Bennett	8 58	4 03	12 02	7 42
Forty Fort	9 00	4 07	12 04	7 44
Wyoming	9 05	4 12	12 08	7 48
West Pittston	9 10	4 17	12 12	7 53
Susquehanna Ave	9 13	4 20	12 14	7 56
Pittston	9 19	4 24	12 17	8 01
Duryea	9 23	4 29	12 20	8 06
Lackawanna	9 26	4 32	12 22	8 10
Taylor	9 32	4 40	12 28	8 17
Bellevue	9 37	4 45	12 32	8 21
SCRANTON	9 42	4 50	12 35	8 25

STATIONS.	WEST. A.M.	A.M	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
SCRANTON	6 35	1	1 55	5 16	10
Bellevue	6 39		3 1 59	6	14
Taylor	6 43		17 2 03	6	18
Lackawanna	7		10 24 2 10	6	24
Duryea	6		10 28 2 13	6	26
Pittston	6 57		10 33 2 17	6	30
Susquehanna Ave	7 00		10 37 2 19	6	32
West Pittston	7 03		10 41 2 23	6	35
Wyoming	7 08		10 46 2 27	6	40
Forty Fort	7 12		10 49 2 31	6	43
Bennett	7 15		10 52 2 34	6	47
Kingston	7 21		10 56 2 40	6	53
Plymouth	7 30		11 00 2 45	6	58
Avondale	7 35		11 05 2 49	7	03
Nanticoke	7 39		11 09 2 54	7	08
Huntock's	7 45		11 13 2 58	7	14
Shickshinny	7 55		11 19 3 06	7	21
Hick's Ferry	8 07		‡11 31 3 20	‡7	31
Beach Haven	8 13		11 43 3 30	7	41
Berwick	8 19		11 48 3 37	7	48
Briarcreek	‡8 23		11 54 ‡3 44	7	53
Willow Grove	‡8 27		11 01 ‡3 50	‡8	00
Lime Ridge	8 31		‡12 05 3 54	‡8	03
Espy	8 37		12 09 3 58	8	03
Bloomsburg	8 44		12 22 4 06	8	17
Rupert	8 47		12 22 4 12	8	20
Catawissa	8 54		12 25 4 15	8	25
Danville	9 06		12 32 4 22	8	37
Cnulasky			12 44 ‡4 33		
Cameron	9 21		12 57 4 48	8	52
NORTHUMBERLAND	9 35		1 10 5 00	9	05

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a.m	a.m.	p m	p.m.		a m	pm	pm	a.m
7.10	12.10	6.00	2.15	Bloomsbu'g	8.50	2 27	6 35	6.10
7.08	12.08	5.55	2.10	" P. & P	8.52	2.30	6.37	
7.01	12.02	5.50	2.05	" Main st.	8.55	2.42	6.30	
7.58	11.53	5.42	1 50	Paper Mill	9.05	2.52	6.40	
6.50	11.50	5.39	1.45	..Light St.	9.08	2.55	6.44	6.37
6.40	11.42	5.31	1.30	Orangeville	9.16	3.03	6.53	6.50
6.19	11.34	5.21	1.00	...Forks...	9.26	3.13	6.03	7.10
6.15	11.29	5.17	12.53	...Zaner's..	9.30	3.17	6.07	7.35
6.18	11.21	5.08	12.45	Stillwater	9.38	3.25	6.15	7.45
6.08	11.13	5.00	12.35	...Benton..	9.46	3.33	7.23	8.00
6.04	11.09	4.56	12.10	...Edson's...	9.50	3.37	7.27	8.20
6.02	11.06	4.58	12.05	Cole's Crk	9.53	3.40	7.31	8.40
5.53	11.02	4.48	11.53	..Laubach..	9.58	3.45	7.41	8.46
5.43	10.51	4.38	11.45	...Central..	10.05	3.52	7.47	9.00
5.40	10.48	4.35	11.30	Jam. City.	10.08	3.55	7.55	9.5
am	am	pm	pm		am	pm	pm	a.m
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Pennsylvania Railroad.

Time Table in effect May 25, 1902

Scranton(14 5)lv	A. M. $ 6 38	A. M. $ 9 38	P. M. $ 1 42	P M $ 4 27
Pittston " "	7 05	10 00	f 2 10	4 52
Wilkesbarre...lv	A. M. $ 7 25	A. M. $10 35	P. M. $ 2 45	P. M $ 6 00
Plym'th Ferry "	f 7 32	f10 42	f 2 52	f 6 07
Nanticoke "	7 42	10 50	3 01	6 17
Mocanaqua "	8 01	11 07	3 20	6 37
Wapwallopen "	8 12	11 16	3 31	6 47
Nescopeck, ar	8 18	11 26	3 42	7 00
Pottsville lv	A. M. $ 5 50		A. M. 11 55	P. M. 2 45
Hazleton "	7 05		12 52	3 05
Tomhicken "	7 22		1 11	3 15
Fern Glen "	7 29		1 18	3 22
Rock Glen "	7 35			
Nescopeck ar	8 00		1 45	
Catawissa				4 00
Nescopeck lv	A. M. $ 8 18	A. M. $11 26	P. M. $ 3 42	P. M $ 7 00
Creasy "	8 30	11 36	3 52	7 01
Espy Ferry "	f 8 42	11 46	f 4 02	7 20
E. Bloomsburg "	8 47	11 50	4 06	7 25
Catawissa ar	8 55	P. M. 11 57	4 13	7 32
Catawissa lv	8 55	11 57	4 13	7 32
S. Danville "	9 14	12 15	4 31	7 51
Sunbury "	9 35	12 40	4 55	8 15
Sunbury lv	A. M. $ 9 42	P. M. $12 48	P. M. $ 5 10	P. M. $ 9 46
Lewisburg ar	10 13	1 45	5 40	
Milton "	10 08	1 39	5 35	10 07
Williamsport "	11 00	1 41	6 30	10 55
Lock Haven "	11 59	2 20	7 31	
Renovo "	A. M.	3 00	8 30	
Sunbury lv		8 25		
Lock Haven lv	P M. $12 10	P. M. 13 45		
Bellefonte ar	1 05	14 44		
Tyrone "	2 20	16 00		
Philipsburg "	4 35	18 02		
Clearfield "	5 25	18 46		
Pittsburg "	6 55	110 45		
Sunbury lv	A. M. $10 00	P. M. $ 2 15		
Lewistown Jc ar	P. M. 11 45	$ 4 05		
Pittsburg "	$ 6 55	$10 45		
Harrisburg lv	A. M. $ 11 45	P. M. 15 00	P. M. $ 7 15	P. M $10 25
Pittsburg ar	$ 6 55	A. M. 11 50	A. M. $ 1 50	A. M $ 5 30

‡ Weekdays. Daily. f Flag station

Pittsburg lv	P. M. $ 7 10	p. m $ 9 00	a. m. $ 3 00	a. m $ 8 00
Harrisburg ar	A. M. $ 2 00	A. M. $ 4 20	$29	P. M. $ 3 10
Pittsburg lv		a. m.	p. m.	a. m. $ 8 00
Lewistown Jc. "		$ 7 30		P. M. $ 3 00
Sunbury ar		$ 9 20		$ 4 50
Washington lv	p. m. $10 40	A. M.	A. M. $ 7 50	a. m $10 50
Baltimore "	$11 41	$ 4 40	$ 8 40	$11 45
Philadelphia "	$11 20	$ 4 25	$ 8 30	$11 40
Harrisburg lv	A. M. $ 3 35	A. M. $ 7 55	A. M. $11 40	P. M. $ 3 20
Sunbury ar	$ 5 00	$ 9 36	1 08	$ 5 05
Pittsburg lv	P. M. $12 45		A. M. $ 3 00	A. M. $ 8 00
Clearfield "	3 50			9 28
Philipsburg "	4 40			10 12
Tyrone "	7 00		1	12 25
Bellefonte ar	8 16		9 32	$1 05
Lock Haven ar	9 15		10 30	$2 10
Erie lv	P. M. $ 5 35	A. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Kane "	8 45		$ 5 00	
Renovo "	11 50	$ 6 45	10 30	
Lock Haven "	12 38	$ 7 35	11 25	$ 3 00
Williamsport lv	A. M. $ 2 29	$ 8 30	P. M. $12 40	4 06
Milton "	3 23	9 17	1 25	4 46
Lewisburg "		9 05	1 15	4 42
Sunbury ar	$ 24	9 46	1 55	5 15
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S. Danville "	7 11	10 17	2 21	5 50
Catawissa "	7 32	10 35	2 36	6 08
E. Bloomsburg "	7 37	10 43	2 43	6 15
Espy Ferry "	7 42	$10 47		$ 6 19
Creasy "	7 53	10 56	2 55	6 30
Nescopeck ar	8 02	11 05	3 05	6 40
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Rock Glen		11 23	5 05	7 38
Fern Glen	8 31	11 28	5 32	7 34
Tomhicken	8 53	11 38	5 38	7 42
Hazleton	9 19	11 58	5 59	8 05
Pottsville	10 15		6 55	
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Mocanaqua "	8 31	11 32	3 30	7 01
Nanticoke "	8 53	11 54	3 49	7 19
Plym'th Ferry "	9 03	P. M. 12 02	3 57	7 28
Wilkesbarre "	9 19	12 10	4 05	8 35
Pittston (2 & H) ar	A. M. $ 9 39	P. M. $12 55	P. M. $ 4 56	P. M. $ 8 36
Scranton " "	10 08	1 24	5 24	9 05

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Leave Tamaqua 1.40 p. m.

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TEACHERS' QUALIFICTIONS AND COMPULSORY EDUCATION.

(Communicated)

We hold to the theory that wherever competent teachers are employed in the rural districts, there is no need of a compulsory educational law. And wherever incompetent teachers are employed, compulsory attendance is an outrage. It is an injustice alike to taxpayers and to school pupils who cannot be benefited by poor schools. It is not only a waste of time, but a loss of a whole school term to the pupils, and in case of nonattendance of the requir- d length of time, a forfeiture of heir share of school appropriation in addition. To illustrate: the "Teachers Monthly Reports", are the best guides to indicate the teacher's qualifications. They are a better criterion to judge from than the "teacher's certificate itself". Whenever the reports show a monthly per cen age of attendance, any where from 85 to 95 per cent. or a general average throughout the term of 90 per cent. without any marks of tardiness, teachers who can exhibit such a showing are eminently successful without the aid of the compulsory attendance clause. A good teacher, having charge of a school, seldom has vacant seats, except under very unfavorable circumstances.

Of course a teacher cannot impart that which he does not possess. It is true, however, that occasionally a well qualified teacher in all the branches necessary to be taught, lacks tact, or ability to impart that which he really possesses, and hence he is as great a failure as the incompetent teacher who lacks the necessary qualifications.

But a teacher, to be successful, should at all times be able to give the proper information, or explanation whenever a pupil asks for it. If he fails in this, the pupil and school at once lose confidence in the ability of the teacher, and his usefulness to the school and community is practically at an end. If the teacher must first acquaint himself with the subject matter in contemplation, which is sought by pupil or school, whenever applied to, is, like a client asking advice of an attorney who is not able to give it until after consulting all his law books before he can impart it. We opine that clients are not seeking for uninformed attorneys.

If a teacher is not at all times ready to impart the instruction sought by the pupils, the result is, that the school is a drag—a mass of confusion, tardiness and a low average of attendance, besides a noisy school, without much respect for the teacher.

Whenever a teacher is skillful in raising the windows to the understanding, letting in intellectual light to the darkened mind, the children will flock to that light, and bask in its far reaching influences. Children hunger and thirst for knowledge, and wherever it is easily obtainable, they cannot be kept from it. Wherever an abundance of wholesome provision is, there will be plenty of feasting guests; independent of all compulsory laws.

County Commissioner Geo. W. Sterner will on April first move into his house on Market street.

DUTY OF BALLOT REFORM.

Improvement and correction of the present ballot spstem of the state, cumbersome in its detail, vicious in its operation, form one of the imperative duties of the present Legislature. Criticism of existing methods of voting, which have shown themselves inefficient as well as subversive of free election, is not needed at this time. Popular judgment has long since placed the seal of condemnation upon the Baker law and the impotent attempts to reform it and make it consistent with the dignity and the power of the franchise. All persons of judgment, of real desire that the ballot shall actually accomplish the purpose for which it was conceived, are a unit upon the necessity of doing away with the present travesty on a pure and honest vote and substituting for it a system at once simple, effective and true in its results, three attributes totally lacking in the present device.

The question of replacing it with something better is not a partisan one, but political in the broadest and loftiest sense of that term. It is pleasant therefore to observe the business-like way in which leading men of the minority political organization have addressed themselves to the task of suggesting a way of lifting Pennsylvania out of the mire of debauchery that has long disgraced its elections.

The meeting in this city on Thursday night of a sub committee of the Democratic State Committee, assigned to consider plans of reforming the existing system is an earnest of a desire to comply with the popular will and restore the ballot to its once proud eminence, when it was regarded as

A weapon that comes down as still
As snowflakes fall upon the sod,
But executes the freeman's will.
As lightening does the will of God.

—*Patriot.*

That Proposed New County.

The Sunbury *Daily*:—Another point has been made and seems to be very well taken. The actual value of the land in Conyngham township decreases every year. It is valuable only for its mineral wealth, and the depletion of that wealth inevitably reduces its value. This must naturally continue until the coal is exhausted. In the meantime there is no guarantee that the township's expenses will decrease, on the contrary they are tolerably certain to go the other way. When a new territory is taken on by a county the expenses from that section are compared with its income and this is where Conyngham would fall short. It will blast many fond hopes but the new county project viewed from all sides looks like a dead one.

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My Lungs

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You had better replenish your supply of coal. This is what those who pin their faith to the ground hog superstition say. When the hibernating quadruped on Monday emerged from his burrow he did not have to wait long to see his shadow. Then according to tradition he hurriedly scuttled back to cover in his underground lair for the six weeks of blizzards and cold snaps that are scheduled to follow. Early in the morning the sky was overspread with a dark covering and there was considerable rejoicing. Presently, however, the drapery of the sky parted sufficiently to allow the rays of the sun to shed their glow upon the earth. While the day and Tuesday too, was mild and almost spring like, the faithful shadow of the prophet caused by the shining sun is convincing proof that the balmy conditions were only temporary and wise ones will continue to lay in coal—if they can.

It is estimated that a half a hundred people in Clinton, Cameron and Potter counties are making from $4 to $9 a day gathering rattlesnake oil and ginseng root. The two vocations can readily be followed at the same time—indeed, it is a noticeable fact that where ginseng grows there one invariably finds rattlesnakes. Ginseng root sells for from $3 to $5 a pound, according to size and quality, and with rattlesnake oil a remarkable article at the rate of $2 an ounce, the outlook for the "bushwhackers" this season is exceptionally cheerful. A Mrs. Norman, of the vicinity of Keating, in one day last summer killed seven rattlesnakes, from which she obtained eleven ounces of fat. This amount at $2 an ounce, made her a pretty good day's wages.

The quartette which furnishes the music in "The Night Before Christmas" is much above the average and never fails to bring out a number of encores each performance. Messrs Burt & Nicolai, owners of the play, have not descended to the tactics of most managers and engaged cheaper people to fill the parts and depend upon the popularity of the past season for the support of the play, instead, the salary list of "The Night Before Christmas" is larger than ever before and the cast headed by Elmer Grandin is most adequate. Tonight at the Opera House.

Senator Burrows, of Michigan, tells of a young man in his State who proposed to a girl in a neighboring town. He was not at all sure of his ground, and, fearing he might be refused, he tried to avoid an awkward situation by sending her this message by wire: "Will you marry me? Twenty-word answer paid for." In due time he received this reply: "Why pay for twenty words when the single word 'No' is quite enough for my purpose?"

There was a bill introduced in the State Legislature this week that if passed would effect seriously both the Bell and the United companies. The measure in question taxes the companies $50 for each pay station and as both have quite a number of pay stations in town as well as in other towns the effect can be readily seen. It is hardly likely that the bill will receive any favorable consideration.

The following letters are held at the Bloomsburg, Pa., postoffice, and will be sent to the dead letter office February 17, 1903. Persons calling for these letters will please say "that they were advertised Feb. 5, 1903":

Mr. J. D. Adams, A. A. Taylor, Miss Jennie Ward.

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J. C. BROWN, P. M.

Do You Ever Visit the Schools?

An exchange truthfully says: "How many parents in the boroughs and townships visit the schools occasionally? A good many fathers go to circuses, country frolics shooting matches raffles, horse races and ball games who never see the inside of a school building where their children are being educated and it is possible that some mothers, who never miss a millinery opening, a sewing bee or a dance have yet to make the acquaintance of the teachers who instruct their children, and to make their first visit to the schools their young hopefuls attend.

Irondale Sunday School and Prayer Meeting.

There will be Prayermeeting in the Irondale S. School room every Thursday evening at 7:30 and S. School at 2 P. M. every Sunday and preaching on next Sunday by Rev. J. W. Bentz at 3 p. m. A hearty welcome to all.

Hair brushes, nail brushes, cloth brushes, tooth brushes, nail brushes etc., at. Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Get the Most Out of Your Food

You don't and can't if your stomach is weak. A weak stomach does not digest all that is ordinarily taken into it. It gets tired easily, and what it fails to digest is wasted.

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66 in. wide extra heavy, regular price, 60c. Sale price, 48c.
66 in. wide extra heavy, regular price, 56c. Sale price, 52c.
66 in. wide extra fine and heavy, regular price, 75c. Sale price 62c.
72 in. wide heavy fine linen, regular price, 90c. Sale price 75c.
72 in. wide worth $1.00, sale price, 89c.
72 in. wide worth $1.25, sale price, $1.00.

Bleached Table Linen.

58 in. wide linen and cotton worth 45c., sale price, 35c.
60 in. " " " " " 48c., sale price, 40c.
62 in. wide all linen, worth 56c., sale price, 45c.
70 in. " " " " 65c., " " 50c.
68 in. " " " " 75c., " " 62c.
72 in. " " " " 90c., " " 75c.
72 in. " " " " $1.25 " " 98c.
72 in. " " " " 1.00 " " 90c.
72 in. " " " " 1.50 " " $1.25
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72 in. " " " " 1.75 " " 1.49
72 in. " " " " 2.00 " " 1.69
72 in. " " " " 2.25 " " 1.98
72 in. " " " " 2.50 " " 2.15

White Mercerized Table Damask.

56 in. wide, worth 50c., sale price, 39c.
66 in. wide, worth 65c., sale price, 50c.

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22 in. bleached napkins, worth $1.15 at 98c.
22 " " " " 1.75 at $1.50.
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" " " 18 " " " 8c.
" " " 20 " " " 10c.

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A. M. 5:00, 5:40, 6:20, 7:00, 7:40, 8:20, 9:00, 9:40, 10:20, 11:00, 11:40.

P. M. 12:20, 1:00, 1:40, 2.20, 3:00, 3:40, 4:20, 5:00, 5:40, 6:20, 7:00, 7:40, 8:20, 9:00, 10:20 and (11:00 Saturday nights only.)

Leaving depart from Berwick one hour from time as given above, commencing at 6:00 a. m.

Leave Bloom for Catawissa A. M. 6:20, 7:00, 7:40, 8:20, 9:00, 9:40, 10:00, 11:40.

P. M. 12:20, 1:00 1:40, 2:20, 3:00, 3:40, 4:20, 5:00, 5:40, 6:20, 7:00, 7.40, 8:20 9:00 9:40, 10:20 and (11:00 Saturday nights only.

Cars returning depart from Catawissa 20 minutes from time as given above.

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Variations in Valentines.

My pen is poor my ink is pale
My love to you shall never fail.

My ink is pale my pen is poor
My love to you is ever sure.

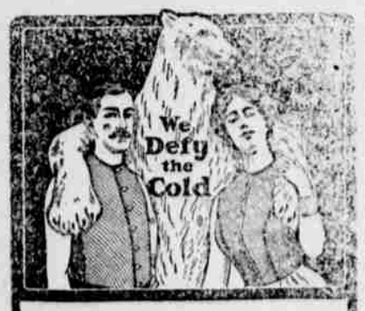
My pen is poor my ink is blue
My love to you is pure and true.

To you shall ever be my love
You are my little Turtle-dove.

My ink is pale my pen is poor
My love to you shall still endure.

To you my love is ever sure
Tho ink be pale and pen be poor.

[Bell Telephone.]



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LOCAL NEWS.

Legal advertisements on page 7.

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William Morris has accepted a position as solicitor with the *Morning Press*.

Give us a call and be convinced that we are the best. Gem Steam Laundry.

Gehrad Snyder is negotiating for the purchase of the Broadway House, Milton.

Lamps! Large and small, a very large line at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

The Bloomsburg Wheelmen will produce a drama shortly, for the benefit of a piano fund.

You can get your supper at the Parish House this evening for 15c. The menu is a good one.

Rev. A. L. Miller of Catawissa, occupied the pulpit of the Methodest Church Sunday morning.

A. N. Yost has filed nominations for school director. His name will appear as the People's candidate.

Louis Gross is confined to the house with rheumatism. He has not been out for more than a week.

M. I. Hennessy, formerly of Bloomsburg, is seriously ill with typhoid fever, in the Chester, Pa. Hospital.

Society people are putting in full time now, and social gatherings of various kinds are of almost daily occurrence.

We are indebted to Rohr McHenry & Son, of Benton, for one of their calendars. It's a beauty and an ornament to any office.

Walter McHenry has again entered the employ of Dr. G. H. Welliver and he will have charge of the Exchange livery stables.

At a short session of Court on Saturday, the license of J. S. Gersting, bottler in the lower end of town was transferred to T. J. Morgan & Son, of Wilkes-Barre.

Communion services in the Evangelical church of Bloomsburg next Sunday both morning and evening. Rev. W. H. Stover of Espy, will officiate. A hearty welcome to all.

Stockholders of the Green Consolidated Copper Company, received their dividends on Tuesday. They have also been notified that in the future dividends will be paid quarterly.

Lincoln J. Carter's latest and greatest production "Two Little Waifs" will appear at the Opera House next Monday night, Feb. 9. Carter's plays are too well known in Bloomsburg to need any further mention at this time.

You can find the nicest and largest line of bibles, large and small in Bloomsburg at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

Mirrors, brush and comb sets, collar and cuff boxes, necktie boxes, handkerchief boxes, jewelry cases, manicure sets, smoker's sets and all kinds of sets at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

William Appleman, aged about sixty-eight years, died of heart disease at his home on East Third Street, Friday night. Two daughters survive, Miss Ida and Mrs. George D. Hartman, both of town.

Clark Harder of Catawissa was in attendance at court on Tuesday. He had the misfortune a few days ago to fall and sprain an ankle, since which time he has been compelled to use crutches to get about.

Seven years in business is our reference. Gem Steam Laundry

Attorney J. Q. Creveling, of Plymouth, has been appointed a member of the board to examine candidates for admission to the Luzerne bar. He takes the place of George R. McLean, whose term has expired.

A very pleasant evening party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Gidding on Monday. The event was in honor of the latter's birthday. A number of guests were present and refreshments served.

James W. Clark, who held a lofty position among the prominent newspaper men of sixty years ago, died at Williamsport on Tuesday aged seventy-three years. He was a brother of Mrs. Elizabeth Schweppenheiser of Mifflinville.

No cracked collars at the Gem Steam Laundry. Try us.

Articles of food that are damp and juicy should never be left in paper. Some paper is simply a compound of rags, glue, lime and similar substances, with acids mixed, and, when damp, is unfit to touch things that are to be eaten.

Another name was added to the list of directors of the First National Bank on Monday. It was that of Dr. H. V. Hower, Mifflinville's well known physician. The Bank has also increased its capacity from $50,000 to $100 000, all fully paid.

The Morning *Press* has installed a new adjustable Simplex typesetting machine. The Simplex is a wonderful contrivance and will do the work of several men in a shorter space of time. They are almost a necessity in all daily newspaper offices.

Callendar pads, large and small, for 1903 for sale at this office, singly or in quantities. 18-3t

Tax collectors, constables and tax assessors are elected every third year and hold their offices for three. Vacancies in the office of tax collectors and constables are filled by the court for the unexpired term of such vacancies. Vacancies in the office of assessors are filled by the county commissioners.

From an exchange; A maiden fair, with sun-kissed hair, came tripping down the street, her face serene, her age sixteen—gee whizz but she was sweet. On the side walk slick, she came down quick, with a jolt that shook her curls, but the words she used must be excused, for she's one of the nicest girls

There is a warm and interesting fight on for the office of school director over in Catawissa. The candidates are C. J. Fisher, Esq., and Robert Graham. The writer visited Catawissa an evening or two ago and in both the hotels groups of men were engaged in a heated discussion of the directorship.

Al. Newton, who for several seasons past has been Normal's short stop, has signed to play that position with the Concord, Mass., team. Concord is one of the fastest teams in the New England League. If the remainder of the team is as good as Al. they'll win the pennant without a struggle because "he's all right."

Rev. Dr. Hemingway guided us very handsomely through England, Ireland and Scotland on last Monday night in his church. He was the van and color bearer of a large audience. There were gleams of eloquence, beauty and sublimity and laughable incidents in his lecture and the music was fine. The whole affair was a rare treat.

The Moving Pictures of the A. & T. Biograph Co. will be exhibited in the Evangelical church of Bloomsburg for the benefit of the Aid Society, Tuesday evening Feb. 10th at 7:45 p. m. These are to be the genuine Moving Pictures, are highly complimented. Tickets sold at the door or elsewhere at 20cts. for adults and 10cts. for children.

PURELY PERSONAL

Joseph Ratti left on Monday for New York City.

Mrs. Geo. Aurand and Mrs. Geo. Forrest of Lewisburg, were in town on Monday.

A. M. DeWitt, one of Orangeville's most prominent citizens, was in town yesterday.

Mrs. I. A Snyder spent Sunday with relatives at Northumberland over Sunday.

A. H. Edgar of the Benton "Argus" was in town for an hour Tuesday morning.

George McLinn departed on Monday for Philadelphia where he has accepted a position.

D O. Snyder of Pittston, was the guest over Sunday, of his parents at the Exchange Hotel.

Mrs. William Lake of Shamokin, arrived in town on Saturday to visit her daughter, Mrs. J. E. Fidler.

Miss Rose Gidding spent Sunday, Monday and Tuesday with her brother B. A. Gidding on First Street.

E. L. Appleman of Millville, was in town on Friday. He paid the COLUMBIAN a call and renewed his subscription.

J. P. Kline of Orangeville, came down on Friday and attended to some business. He will move to Center County in the Spring.

Ex-Sheriff J. B. McHenry came down on the first train Monday morning, and transacted business in town. He says Benton is booming.

N. O Parker is one of our new subscribers from Greenwood. He called in on Monday and ordered the COLUMBIAN sent to his address for a year.

Hiram W. Kline of Stillwater was in town on Tuesday. The years bear lightly upon him, he don't look a bit older than he did ten years ago.

S. J. Pealer of Asbury, stopped off in town for a short time on Monday, while on his way to Wilkes-Barre, where he went to appear as a witness in a land case.

Policeman and magistrate Gidion Beishline of Berwick, Agriculturist Dan'l. Hartedman, former ganger of several distilleries, of Mt Hope, Ira Hess and Russel Karns of Benton, Z. A. Butt, Walter, F. P. Baker, Benton Twp., and B. F. Rice of Espy, visited our city on Tuesday.

The heavy wind last night carried away the Electric Railway Co's station at Rupert. It was blown over into the field.

John Eyerly a former employee of the COLUMBIAN office, but later with the *Morning Press* is very ill with typhoid fever at his home in Danville.

The Methodist Choir of town will give a concert in the M. E. church at Lime Ridge tonight. Proceeds are for the benefit of the church. Admission 10 and 20 cents.

A prominent lawyer was heard to remark yesterday that he never knew court business to be so slack. He said there is hardly any occasion for two weeks of court. If the civil cases were put on immediately after the criminal cases are concluded they could all be tried, and the business finished up in one week.

The mid-year convention of the Columbia County W. C. T. U. will be held in the Union church, Orangeville, Feb. 10-11. Mrs. A. M. Holvey will be in attendance, and will give one of her brilliant lectures evening of 10th. Evening of 11th will be devoted to a grand gold oratorical, and matron's silver musical contest. Railroads will extend time on reduced rates to the 12th.

We have just received a very large line of some of the latest books. Please call and see them at Mercer's Drug and Book Store.

"At Valley Forge" pleased a good sized audience Tuesday evening. With the exception of one or two characters the cast is quite capable. The play abounds in exciting incidents and the climaxes are particularly stirring. Owing to some changes in dates the company remained in town yesterday and today. They fill an engagement at Hazleton tomorrow night.

The wind was very disagreeable last night, and those who were obliged to be out, found considerable trouble in keeping their hats on. Herbert Pursel was among the number whose hats were blown off on Market Street, but he was more unfortunate than the others, he didn't find his. He searched for a few minutes, then went and bought another.

A very fine line of albums, and some beauties too, at Mercer's Drug and Book Store. 75c. to $4.50

John Werkheiser departed this life at his home in Mifflinville on Sunday. His death resulted from a general collapse of the system due principally to the weight of years. He was born Nov. 26th 1816 and was therefore 87 years of age. He was twice married. His first wife was Miss Ellen Brower, and his second wife Miss Sarah Gearhart. The following children by his first wife survive, Mrs. Alice G. Fane of Pittston and Mrs. Mary K. Lee of Kingsville, Iowa. The funeral took place yesterday.

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TALK NO. 44.

They Fitted Him.

A gentleman came to me that had a pair of glasses that seemed to work all right, but he wanted to be sure he was wearing the correct thing. He didn't want to take any chances with his eyes. If they could be bettered he wanted it done, and if not he would then feel satisfied. I made a careful examination and found that the glasses fitted him perfectly. I do not know where he got them but they were correct in every way. I simply told him so and charged him nothing. I wish every person in Columbia county would feel just as free to consult with me about their eyes. I want my parlors to be "Spectacle Headquarters." Come in and ask questions just as often as you want information.

Geo. W. Hess,

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MOB DEFIES TROOPS

Riotous Scenes In Waterbury Go on Unchecked.

STRIKING UNION MEN ATTACKED.

A Soldier Seriously Injured In an Encounter With Rioters—Non-union Conductor Shot At. Two Arrests Made.

WATERBURY, Conn., Feb. 4.—In spite of the admirable policing in the center of the city that section was not without its sensational incidents. This time, however, it was the strikers and their patrons who were the victims. From a crowd which had gathered near the Waterbury club on North Main street a union bus was attacked with stones. Patrick Flynn, a striker, acting as conductor of the bus, was struck on the head. Of the twelve passengers in the vehicle, nine of whom were women, two were hit. Mrs. James Aubrey was struck on the hand and Miss Susan Coyle received a hard blow on the shoulder. No trolley car was in the locality, and to those who witnessed the affair it seemed apparent that the attack was directed against the striking union men. The incident occasioned much comment.

Late last night the details of an incident of the day leaked out in which a private of company C, Second regiment, Robert Duncan, was more or less seriously injured in an encounter with rioters. While on patrol duty a stone was hurled at Duncan. Later he was set upon by rioters. He undertook to defend himself with his bayonet, when his assailants seized the gun and struck the soldier in the groin with the stock. The blow was a serious one, and the injured man's condition was such that it was deemed advisable to send him to his home in New Haven.

The first gunshot of the strike was fired at 10 o'clock last night, if the story told by a nonunion conductor is true. At that hour a trolley car on its return trip cityward from Brooklyn via Bank street was driven at high speed to the car barns, where the troops are quartered. To the officer in command the white faced conductor reported that he had been shot at, and for the moment there was some excitement. The thoroughly frightened conductor insisted that he was not mistaken and that as his car was leaving the end of the line a gun was discharged in the direction of the car. The troops were unable to trace the thing, and the excitement subsided.

Privates of Company F, Second regiment, arrested two men in Brooklyn and took them before the commanding officer, by whom they are now detained for stone throwing.

Grand Central Station Plans.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The officials of the New York Central and Hudson River railroad have under consideration a stupendous plan for the reconstruction of the Grand Central railway station, so that it will ultimately grow into a mammoth twenty story building, covering the entire site of the present station and a part of the railroad yard and including a large hotel nearly twice as large as the Waldorf-Astoria, a department store of great dimensions, a theater, an office building, lunch rooms, reading rooms, cab sheds and station proper.

Wrong to Accept Railroad Pass.

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 31.—Attorney General Cunneen has written an opinion, in which he holds that the offering of a transportation pass to a member of the legislature is a misdemeanor; that its acceptance by the legislator would constitute a misdemeanor and make him subject to forfeiture of his office. The following statement of the case is made public by the attorney general:

Government Balance Sheet.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 3.—The monthly comparative statement of the government receipts and expenditures shows that for the month of January, 1903, the total receipts were $45,996,237 and the expenditures $42,632,243, leaving a surplus for the month of $3,364,094. The expenditures on account of the war department show a decrease of $2,500,000 and an increase of about $1,900,000 on account of the navy.

Electrical Discovery Announced.

ITHACA, N. Y., Feb. 3.—At a meeting of the Cornell Electric society Professor Frederick Bedell of the physics department of Cornell university announced a new discovery in electrical power transmission whereby an alternating and a direct current may be sent at the same time. Experiments show great economy, the amount of copper being reduced one-half.

Cold Wave Strikes California.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 4.—Unusually cold weather prevails over California and for the first time in many years the inhabitants of this city have seen snow. While the snow was hardly noticeable downtown, the park and surrounding hills were covered with a white cloak. No damage to fruit has been reported.

Phipps' Gift to India.

CALCUTTA, Feb. 2.—Henry Phipps, director of the Carnegie Steel company, who is traveling in India, has handed to Lord Curzon the sum of $10,000 to be devoted to some practical object or in scientific research promising to be of enduring benefit to India.

Major Glenn Acquitted.

MANILA, Jan. 30.—Major Edwin F. Glenn of the Fifth infantry, who was tried by court martial on the charge of unlawfully killing prisoners of war, has been acquitted. Major Glenn has been ordered to return to duty. The verdict is popular.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and Tersely Told.

A fire at Middlebury, Vt., caused a loss of $150,000.

The bank at Cambridge, Ill., was robbed by burglars of $10,000.

Two women baby farmers were hanged in Holloway jail, England.

King Edward was said to have the influenza. The attack is a mild one.

A train struck a 'bus near Lewistown, Pa., killing one and wounding four.

The plant of the Chicago Railway Supply company was burned; loss, $250,000.

William Redmond was released from Kilmainham jail, although his sentence had only half expired.

Americans were reported fleeing from Spanish Honduras in expectancy of a civil war over the presidency.

A battalion of Mexican troops was said to have been trapped by Yaquis and to have suffered severely.

Tuesday, Feb. 3.

The discovery of a serum against scarlet fever was announced in Berlin.

Advices from Nome via Dawson indicate that many natives are destitute and ill.

The New York Central railroad has employed sixty surgeons to give first aid to victims of accident.

All the crew, twenty-four in number, of the Norwegian steamer Avona, which went ashore at Lemvig, Denmark, were drowned.

Monday, Feb. 2.

General Miles dined with King Edward at Windsor castle.

Dutch railway employees were victorious in their strike for higher wages.

The transport Thomas sailed for Manila with more than a thousand passengers.

Six persons in a runaway car were drowned in the Mississippi river at Vicksburg.

The sultan of Morocco's troops have utterly routed the forces of the Moorish pretender and captured Bu Hamara himself.

Saturday, Jan. 31.

The first of this year's sugar crop arrived at Philadelphia from Cuba.

Signor Prinetti, Italian foreign minister, is recovering from the recent attack of paralysis.

The Philippine constabulary defeated a body of ladrones in west Leyte province, killing eight.

The Clyde line freight steamer Gulf Stream went ashore in a fog off Avalon, N. J. Her crew was rescued.

Former Secretary of State McDonough of New York announced his acceptance of a supreme court justiceship in the Philippines.

Count Paul Tiesenhausen, private secretary to the Russian consul, was arrested for spitting on an "L" platform in New York city.

Friday, Jan. 30.

The Spanish budget shows a surplus of more than $9,000,000.

Illinois college has been absorbed by the University of Chicago.

James H. Davis, the engineer of the Reading train which wrecked the Easton express, died in Plainfield, N. J.

Two men were badly burned by the explosion of a steam chest on the monitor Puritan off Old Point Comfort, Va.

Italian Foreign Minister Prinetti was stricken with paralysis while addressing King Victor Emmanuel at a conference.

The Eckart Packing company's plant at Fort Wayne, Ind., was wrecked by an explosion. Four were killed and many hurt.

Thursday, Jan. 29.

Six were killed and twenty injured in a boiler explosion at Anniston, Ala.

The rebellion is spreading in China. Two hundred imperial troops are reported killed.

A bonded car near El Paso, Tex., was robbed of $40,000 in bullion. Three Mexicans are suspected. One killed.

The town of San Marcial, Mexico, was attacked by Yaquis. Eight Americans among the defending force were killed.

Patrick Divver, former police justice and for many years Tammany leader of the Second assembly district, died in New York city.

Fierce Storm In Chicago.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—One of the worst storms of recent years is raging in this city and has caused much damage to telephone and telegraph wires. The storm commenced with a fall of rain, which later changed to snow and then changed back to rain. The rain freezing on the trolley wires has caused the street car companies much trouble and a number of the outlying lines in the suburbs have been badly crippled.

A Monument to President Monroe.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Representative Creamer of New York has introduced a bill for the erection of a statue to James Monroe, former president of the United States, at the entrance to Central park, New York city. The bill provides that the statue shall cost $150,000, of which half shall be paid by the general government and half by the city of New York.

Record Breaking Coal Output.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Feb. 4.—During the month of January the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Coal company's output was a record breaker. The total number of tons mined was 963,700. The company's total output for the last week was 248,000 tons, showing an increase mined and transported of 79,700 over the previous month.

Mr. Long Gains Slowly.

BOSTON, Feb. 4.—The latest bulletin from former Governor Long's bedside says: "Mr. Long is comfortable and quiet. His mind is clearer and he has made a distinct, though slight, gain."

IN COURT.

The Attendance on Monday was not up to the Usual First Day Crowd.

Synopsis of the February Session.

Regular February Court convened at ten o'clock Monday. The entire morning session was taken up by motions and petitions and not a case was called until after noon.

Constables returns read and filed.

Constable Hawk of Beaver township returned road leading from Mainville to Beaver Valley in bad condition. A similar complaint was returned against this piece of road at the November session at which time Judge Little directed that an indictment against the subervisors be sent up.

Thomas Mooney vs. the Lehigh Valley Coal Co. Case stated. This was an action to recover wages on the part of the plaintiff alleged to have been due him. Court ordered that judgment be entered in favor of the defendants for costs.

Francis Ely vs. Margaret Ely. Rule to show why judgment should not be opened. Rule discharged.

Daniel Knorr, Sheriff vs. S. C. Creasy. Assumsit. Court directs that verdict be set aside and rule made absolute.

George Farver vs. the American Car & Foundry Company. Trespass. In the matter of a rule to show cause why a new trial should not be granted. Rule discharged.

Grand Jury called and J. S. Grimes appointed foreman.

Frank Jones appointed tipstaff to wait upon the Grand Jury.

Petition of William B. Snyder, guardian of Grace V. and Clarence Brass, to sell real estate. Granted.

Petition of Clarence T. Adams, guardian of Robert and Hattie Miller, for sale of real estate. Granted.

In the matter of the inspection of a county bridge in Benton township, H. H. Hulme, being the engineer in the construction of said bridge, his name was withdrawn as an inspector.

Report of viewers in favor of a county bridge in Hemlock township near Jacob Harris. Confirmed nisi.

Estate of Cyrus B. Hess. Order and return of sale confirmed nisi.

Estate of John G. Brink. Order and return of sale confirmed nisi.

Estate of Jacob Gilbert. Report of sale confirmed nisi.

Estate of Samuel S. Lowrey. Report of sale confirmed nisi.

Estate of John B. Shultz. Order and return of sale confirmed nisi.

Charles Daise vs. Annie M. Daise. Libel in divorce. Subpœna awarded.

Estate of Deborah Evans. Auditor's report confirmed nisi.

Petition of Patrick Welsh, guardian of Mary and Francis McLaughlin, minor children of Arthur J. McLaughlin, for an order confirming private sale. Sale approved by the Court.

Petition of Patrick Welsh, guardian of Mary and Francis McLaughlin, minor children of Arthur J. McLaughlin, for an order authorizing an investment. Granted.

Auditor's report in the account of E. C. Wagner, guardian of Vera Irene Billman, minor child of George W. Billman, confirmed nisi.

Auditor's report in the account of E. C. Wagner, guardian of Agnes Florence Billman, a minor child of George W. Billman, confirmed nisi.

Petition of John Fink, administrator, etc., of Catherine Fink, deceased, to sell real estate and bond of same, confirmed nisi.

Calvin A. Kressler vs. Mary Alice Kressler. Petition of respondent for rule to show cause why libellant shall not furnish and file a bill of particulars.

Barlow et. al. vs. Yetter et. al. In equity. Court directs that an attachment be issued for or against Boyd Yetter, defendant, to compel compliance with the decree of the Court in the above matter.

Petition of John Padden, minor child of Joseph Padden, for guardian. Court appoints John Rowan, he to give bond in the sum of $100.

John Brennan, of Centralia, who was arrested about a year ago on the charge of assault and battery, and who, while a prisoner at the county jail, made his escape last spring during the presence there of some visitors, and who was again arrested recently on a bench warrant, was brought before the Court for sentence. Judge Little, after interviewing the prisoner as to the extent of the injuries inflicted upon the prosecutor, sentenced him to pay a fine of $5.00 and costs of prosecution.

Registers accounts confirmed nisi.

Prothonotary's accounts confirmed nisi.

Widow's appraisements confirmed nisi.

The cases against the supervisors of Hemlock, Beaver, Orange and Mifflin townships who were charged with neglect at the December session and against whom the grand jury returned true bills were, on motion of District Attorney Duy, continued, the supervisors agreeing to repair the roads in question.

Com. vs. Samuel Andreas. Charge, hunting and trespassing on improved and advertised property. E. A. S. Brown, prosecutor. Motion to quash proceedings overruled by the Court and district attorney directed to lay an indictment before the grand jury under act of 1901.

Joseph Shoemaker vs. Mary E. Shoemaker. Libel in divorce. Subpœna awarded.

Estate of Dr. William Graydon. Auditor's report filed.

Estate of A. T. Harrison, a lunatic. Auditor's report confirmed nisi.

Mr. Duy's real work before the Court did not begin until Tuesday morning. Although it was his first day in the role he acquitted himself with an ease and grace that impressed everybody and handled the several cases in his charge admirably.

Estate of Abraham Winter. Report of sale confirmed nisi.

District Attorney Duy presented petition of C. H. Kline praying for the appointment of himself as an Auditor of the Town of Bloomsburg to fill the vacancy caused by the reisgnation of Morris S. Broadt.

Grand Jury made the following returns:

Commonwealth vs. William Evans. Charge f. and b. Nellie Carter; prosecutrix. A true bill.

Commonwealth vs. George H. Harder and John Lochman. Charge assault and battery. C. C. Cleaver, prosecutor. A true bill.

The case against Harder and Lochman, was one of assault and battery. Notwithstanding the fact that it occasioned considerable interest on account of the many witnesses, and served to attract an audience that filled every seat in the court room, it belonged to that class of cases, which could easily have been, and should, properly, have been settled before the Justice of the peace. Not that the Justice is to blame, because where the parties at issue show no disposition to settle, there is nothing left for him to do but to return it to court.

The facts in the case, according to Cleaver's testimony are as follows: On the night of Dec. 31 last, he heard loud and boisterous talk on the street, and he being a special policeman of the town decided to go out and try and stop it, which he did. A little later he met Chief of Police Harder, and while relating the occurrence to him, two young fellows, Edward Kistler and "Mose" Henrie came along and stopped near them. They were inclined to meddle in, although Cleaver told them that the conversation did not concern them. They were ordered to move on several times, but did not obey. Thir persistence finally aggravated the Chief and he grabbed Kistler and shoved him into the gutter. The boys then continued up the street, but later on meeting Cleaver they accused him of being responsible for the trouble. At this juncture special policeman Lochman appeared on the scene. The boys and Cleaver were getting pretty loud, and he ordered them to disperse, at the same time telling Cleaver to go home, which he refused to do. Lochman then started after the chief. He found him and returning to the scene, the crowd was again ordered to clear out. Cleaver refused to move, whereupon he was set upon by the two officers and severely beaten. Cleaver then made his way to the home of Burgess Sharpless, and there related the story of the assault upon him. Several other witnesses were called, and their evidence was corroboration of that of Cleaver's.

The prosecution here rested its case and Harder took the stand. He denied the charge against him. He admitted that he had handled Cleaver pretty roughly, but that it was only done in the discharge of his duties and in order to quell the disturbance of which Cleaver was a leading factor. He was not under the influence of liquor, as the prosecution tried to make the jury believe. His evidence was followed by that of Jefferson Achy, a special policeman, John Lochman, one of the defendants, and Jeremiah Cherrington. At the close of the testimony the attorneys, Duy for the Commonwealth and C. A Small, for the defendants, made their arguments to the Jury. The Jury retired but were out only about fifteen minutes when a verdict of guilty was returned. C. A. Small made a motion for a new trial, which the Court granted.

Grand Jury made the following returns:

Com. vs. C. H. Yeager. Charge larceny. Lloyd Eavert, prosecutor. Bill ignored and costs placed upon the county.

Commonwealth vs. George Lore. Charge, wantonly and cruelly beating a horse. J. W. Wright, prosecutor. A true bill.

Estate of Dr. William Graydon. Auditor's report confirmed nisi.

ONE STEP MORE

Will be fatal to the sleep-walker. Will he draw back or will he take the final, fatal step? A great many people are in peril like the sleep-walker. They are diseased. The disease is progressing day by day. The time comes when one more step away from health is fatal. The man who has suffered from indigestion or gastric trouble goes some night to a dinner and returns home to find he has taken that last step from health which can never be taken back.

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TEACHERS POORLY PAID.

Pennsylvania's Pedagogues Receive Less Than Those of Most Other States.

The matter of teachers' salaries is receiving some attention in the legislature, a bill having been presented to make $40 the lowest salary. The Philadelphia *Press* of Monday presents the matter very fully. It says:

Should Pennsylvania have a school teachers' minimum salary bill?

This is a question that will command the earnest attention of members of the Legislature. It is a notorious fact that the imperial State of Pennsylvania stands far down on the lists of States when it comes to a comparison of wages paid to its public school teachers.

There are 30,000 school teachers in Pennsylvania.

It is a vast army of enthusiastic and brainy men and women, many of whom have spent considerable money in educating themselves for this calling. Yet in scores of districts they receive the wages of errand boys in a city store.

Thousands of these school teachers receive less wages per month than unskilled laborers who mend roads in the country and sweep the streets of the great cities.

SERVANT GIRLS BETTER PAID.

An immigrant girl, unable to speak a word of English, but who can do ordinary house work, can, within ten days after her arrival secure a situation by which she can earn more money per month than a female school teacher in certain districts in Pennsylvania. This can be demonstrated by figures from the Department of Education.

Comparisons between the salaries paid school teachers in this State and those paid in other States are not to Pennsylvania's credit. Here is a list of States and territories which pay anywhere from $5 to $27 per month more to school teachers than Pennsylvania:—

Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New Jersey, District of Columbia, Texas, Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, Missouri, Nebraska, Montana, Wyoming, California, Colorado, Arizona, Utah, Nevada, Idaho and Washington.

Here are some striking comparisons: New Jersey pays her male school teachers more than double the amount that Pennsylvania does; she pays her female school teachers on an average $14 per month more than Pennsylvania.

Massachusetts pays her male school teachers more than three times as much, and female teachers $14 per month more. Rhode Island figures about the same. In other words, where the male teachers in this State receives, on an average, $44.14 per month, in Massachusetts he receives $140.94; female teachers there receive $52.75 on the average; here they receive $38.23.

The amount paid Pennsylvania teachers is only $3 per month more than Florida school teachers are paid, and only $1 more than Kentucky pays

SOME GET 77 CENTS A DAY.

These, of course are only average figures. There are school teachers in Pennsylvania to day working for 77 cents per day. There are hundreds working for $1 per day, five days in the week. There are thousands teaching for less than a day laborer's pay.

Here is a strange fact in this connection: In one district in Pennsylvania the teacher employed receives less money than the township authorities would be compelled to pay to maintain her in the county almshouse.

It is also a regretable fact that in certain districts in this State the school directors pay out for teachers salaries less money than they receive from the State as their quota of the school fund.

In some school districts in the State the taxation for school purposes is so low as to be scarcely worthy the name of taxation. The aim of the directors in such cases is to keep the school term down strictly to the minimum length and reduce the teachers' salaries to the lowest possible point.

This largely applies to the rural districts. In the cities, towns, and boroughs, better wages are paid to teachers. The question of better pay for teachers has long agitated leading educators, and the problem has been, how to secure results?

LEGISLATURE SHOULD ACT.

"The Press" submits figures on the question of teachers' wages It is up to the Legislature to involve a way of increasing them.

A bill fixing the minimum salary of any certified school teacher in Pennsylvania at $40 per month would help solve the matter.

Pennsylvania has more schoolhouses than any other State in the union.

Pennsylvania's Legislature appropriates more money to the support of the public schools than any Legislature on the continent.

Pennsylvania public school teachers receive smaller salaries in proportion to the money spent than any school teachers in the United States.

Facts like these disclose a serious problem upon which those who are interested in educational progress in Pennsylvania are to-day working.

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Why Men Stay Away.

Rev. Dr. C. E. Mogg, of the Central Methodist Episcopal Church Wilkes-Barre, has delivered the first of a series of sermons based on reasons why men do not attend church. He has canvassed prominent citizens and obtained their views.

He found, he said, that most gave as the excuse, indifference and the cares of business, and others that ministers do not keep sufficiently in touch with the people by making house to house visits. Others say that pastors do not practice what they preach and that as church members are inconsistent they have lost faith and confidence He has received a large number of replies to requests he made for explanations.

Excursion Rates.

Taking effect January 1st, 1903 the Lackawanna Railroad Co. will sell excursion tickets to nearly all stations on their line. This will be another improvement that will be appreciated by the traveling public, the tickets will be good for thirty days including date of sale, stopover will not be allowed. 1-14t

Beware of Telephone Mouthpieces.

Eminent physicians and bacteriologists are advising the sterilization of telephone mouthpiece of telephones, which are a fruitful source of contagion They argue that to kill the baccilli so as to prevent infection, the mouthpiece of a much used telephone should undergo the sterilization at least once a day. Those who have occasion to speak in a telephone should not let their lips come in contact with the mouthpiece of the instrument.

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The Bride's Understudy

By JULIA M. KNIGHT.

THE wedding day was fixed for June, the month of roses, and the great country house, with its dusky woodlands and outlying hills, was alive and astir with preparations for the momentous occasion. It was the first break in the family of girls, and Daisy, the bride-elect, the prettiest and most winsome of the happy-hearted circle; the envied of all for the strange chance that had transformed her uneventful life from prose to poetry and romance.

She had met her fate the preceding winter while on a pleasure trip to the gay metropolis, and after a short wooing had yielded her girlish love and consent to an early wedding. And now love's young dream was for the moment superseded by the demands of fashion and time-honored custom; the house was invaded by dressmakers, the trousseau, dear to the feminine heart, was discussed in all its details, the bright spring days all too short for the work in hand.

One young girl, an artist of the needle, made her home with them for the time, and under her fairy fingers the wedding finery blossomed as by enchantment. She was a sad, silent young thing, and seemed ill at ease in the midst of the merry circle, who sought to win her confidence and share their pleasures in careless girl-fashion.

Nan, the madcap, dubbed her the bride's understudy, for when Daisy was busy or tired, the dressmaker found her a capital substitute. Indeed, so far as height, proportion and sylph-like grace went, the two girls might have been counterparts; but there the resemblance ceased, for Daisy's wild-rose beauty, as the dewy freshness of the dawn, had no affinity with the rare, haunting charm that clung, as a perfume to a flower, to the pale, poetic face, the wistful dark eyes of the stranger.

"Actresses and singers all have an understudy," quoth saucy Nan, "why not brides as well? So if anything fails at the critical moment, Daisy, Miss Milton can step into your shoes, also your clothes, which fit her to perfection; and every one knows a trousseau is paramount to all else in a wedding."

So the bride's understudy she remained to the careless girls, who kept the great house alive with their laughter and pranks through the sunny spring days, when nature was awakening in green lane and byway, and the robins thrilling their glees and madrigals across the blossoming orchard lands.

One day the lover came from New York on a flying visit, and took them by surprise. Led by the sound of merry voices he found his way to the sewing-room, where the girls were congregated, and Daisy, arrayed in the latest creation, a blue and white diaphanous muslin, like a bit of summer sky and cloud drift, paced up and down for inspection.

In the flurry and excitement of the moment, the chatter of many voices, Miss Milton shrank in her corner, pale as a ghost, and the flash of startled emotion on the lover's face, as his eye fell upon her, passed unnoticed. Later when the girls had dispersed to help Daisy exchange her finery for more suitable garb, the lover and Miss Milton were alone for a few moments, face to face in the silent room.

"Irma—you here?" he said in tones of bitterness. "What strange fatality brings us together again, and at such a time?"

"Lester, forgive me," answered the girl, as she held out her hands with a pleading gesture. "It is my misfortune, not my fault that I am here. I never dreamed that you were her lover. I must work."

The man took a step nearer, the fire faded from his glance, a look of pity and bewilderment softened his handsome face.

"Irma—you working for a livelihood here among strangers, you poor, pale and struggling, what does it mean? Whatever your fault, however much I have suffered, I did not desire this."

"Lester," faltered the girl, "after you left me, one misfortune followed another, father failed and died, my home was shattered, and I cast adrift upon the world. I have suffered and through no fault of my own."

"No fault?" hotly. "Irma, why did I leave you—tell me, child?"

"Lester," and the wistful eyes met his bravely, "for a mad, headstrong jealousy without cause or reason, for pride that refused all explanation, for lack of faith in a love that had never failed you. You cast me off without a word, went abroad for many years, left me to my fate."

"Irma," and he caught her hands in an eager clasp. "If this be true, what punishment is heavy enough for me to bear. I who have condemned you to lifelong suffering and servitude, and linked my fate with that of another, equally innocent."

"Hush, Lester!" exclaimed the girl, as she lifted a face transfigured with pitying love to his darkened one. "The past is ours, buried in our hearts—the future belongs to her; let no shadow of our sorrow and loss fall upon her happy youth and serene confidence. Go, dear, they are coming," and she pushed him from the room, as the sound of laughing voices crossed the hall and came nearer.

Lester Walton lingered on in the quaint old town by the river, under one pretext or another. Daisy, innocently happy in his presence, came and went at his bidding, and yielded herself to the passing pleasure of the moment.

Little she dreamed of the passionate heart beating under his careless, laughing manner; the thoughts that burned, the words that craved utterance, the bitter-sweet romance that was awakened in the quickening springtime, with its old-time force and meaning, to hold him in cruel thralldom.

Cruel, for the dream which a few short years ago was his happiness, the mainspring of his existence, was now a sin to dwell upon; a weakness to be trampled under foot. Yet still he lingered on manlike for a taste of the forbidden fruit; a stray word, a glance from a pair of dark eyes, a glimpse of a graceful shape at the window, playing at comedy with the girls, practicing strategies of which his manhood was ashamed.

An abyss had opened at his feet; he now read as in letters of fire the past, the never-to-be-forgotten past—in which he played so ignoble a role; the headstrong folly, the unreasoning rage, which condemned an innocent girl unheard, and made shipwreck of two lives in a moment of madness.

But repentance, as ever, came too late. Blame himself as he would he could not retrieve the cruel mistake, which had led to life-long separation and sorrow.

It was mid-May, and a morning breeze, silken-soft and honey-sweet, stole through the open window like an invitation on to poor, pale Irma, sitting listless at her sewing. The gnarled old apple orchard was all abloom, the grassy way tangled and green, a golden robin flamed and flitted through the blossoming boughs and filled the silence with the ecstasy of song.

The house was very still, the girls had wandered away on pleasure bent, and she was so weary; weary of her lonely unloved youth, her work without aspiration, the dreary vista of the coming years, the happiness all about her that seemed as a mockery of her own woe.

She left her work, and went out into the sunshine, trod the mazes of the blossomed orchard, opened her heart to the robin's thrilling message, sought to lose her cares in the joyous springtime; to think—to resolve—to put from her with a strong hand this wild longing for a happiness, so far and yet so near.

For he loved her still; she read it in his glowing glance, the accents of his voice, felt it to the inmost fiber of her being; she had but to stretch out her slender hand to call him to her side once more, to break the fetters that bound him to the careless child, who knew him not—could never know him as she had done in the olden time when they were lovers.

The thought filled her with mingled pride and anguish, yet she did not waver in her resolve to renounce her happiness for his honor. She flung herself upon the ground, and, leaning her cheek against an old apple tree, closed her eyes and listened once more to the golden notes of the robin overhead.

She did not hear a quick step coming down the grassy way, did not stir till she was caught in a close embrace, and held there a moment, breathless and unresisting; then she sprang to her feet and turned to him in silent reproach, for words failed her, and her eyes were still wet with tears.

But Lester met her glance unrebuked; and there was that in his look and mien which betokened danger, warned her that the moment had come when she could no longer hold him in check or stem the torrent of his love.

"Irma, why do you shrink from me? You loved me years ago, you love me still—confess it."

"Lester," she replied, sadly, "I do love you—but too well to tempt you from the path of duty and honor. You have pledged your faith to this innocent girl, taught her to love, to trust you; promise me that she shall never know our past."

"Irma, you ask me to perform a miracle, you bid me to live a lie, to cling to the letter rather than the spirit of vows spoken on impulse. Had we never met again, who can say—but now with your image again shrined in my heart, how dare I promise this? No, no—you ask too much; rather will I break the fetters that bind me, speak truth at any cost, even to my shame, and leave my fate in her hands."

He had passed the Rubicon; the love denied him, held in check all these weeks, leaped to life at a bound; it would take more than a girl's hand to curb him to patience, renunciation and honor, and for a moment she trembled at the fiery ordeal.

She listened in silence to his passionate appeal, his bitter accusations, yet it was not the silence of consent, and this he felt in his impotence and despair.

"Irma, you are cruel—can nothing change your resolve?"

"Lester, I would not win heaven at the cost of another, so innocent, so happy. Unless fate interposes I will suffer in silence to the end." And turning from him she moved slowly up the green orchard way.

But even then fate had interposed and her sacrifice was vain; for there under the shadow of the flowering trees stood Daisy, white and motionless as a statue, a spellbound listener to words that had shattered her youth and happiness at a blow.

Lester had won the freedom he so passionately craved, but in the scene that followed he drank his cup of humiliation to the dregs.—Boston Budget.

Venezuela Coffee.

Coffee has been cultivated in Venezuela only since 1879, and yet it is now that much-talked-of country's chief commercial product.

Last year 138,000 copies of the Bible in Japanese were circulated in Japan.

MONARCH OF FOREST.

Biggest Tree in the World Discovered by a Woman.

Under Its Lowest Limb, Which Itself Is the Size of a Mighty Oak, a Twenty-Story Skyscraper Might Easily Stand.

The biggest tree in the world has just been found by a woman.

The tree has been named Methusalem, though its age is probably much greater than was that of the oldest man of history. Its discoverer is Mrs. Mattie Duncan, a modern Diana of the wonderful California forests.

Methusalem is a sequoia, or "big tree," about 480 feet high, 128 feet 3 inches in circumference a foot from the ground and 99 feet 7 inches at seven feet from the ground. At one place it is nearly 50 feet in diameter.

The largest tree known heretofore is 108 feet in circumference one foot from the ground and 93 feet around at six feet from the ground. The monster was discovered last August near the Gen. Grant national park, and was measured by John Muir, the noted naturalist. It was then considered a world marvel, and even Californians doubted if it could be beaten.

But Mrs. Duncan's find, made 200 miles further south, far exceeds any other. It is a beautiful tree, 240 feet to the first limb, finely proportioned, straight and clean-barked from top to bottom.

Under its lowest limb, which itself is the size of the largest eastern oak, a 20-story skyscraper might stand. Stood beside the Great Pyramid, the tree would wave 30 feet above its top.

The discovery of Methusalem was a remarkable incident, especially as it was made by a pretty little woman, whose courage and marksmanship have made her one of the best known huntresses in California.

THE BIGGEST TREE KNOWN.
("Methusalem," King of the Forest, and Its Discoverer.)

Mrs. Duncan, says the New York World, was chasing a cinnamon bear over a spur of Mount Moses, 50 miles south of the Sequoia national park. She was alone, and the country was an exceedingly rough one, but she did not mind that. It was a hard and dangerous climb to follow the bear, but she stuck to it for miles, sometimes crawling on hands and knees, sometimes letting herself down over steep precipices and again climbing almost hand over hand.

In this way the enthusiastic bear hunter finally found herself in wilds that appeared never to have been entered by man. In a heavy forest growth many miles from any human habitation she found Methusalem, and the bear was forgotten.

A few days later Mrs. Duncan returned to her find accompanied by her husband and her brother, S. C. Edwards, an artist living at Fillmore, and a party of lumbermen. The big sequoia was christened, measured and photographed. After a brief little christening ceremony, a hymn was sung and a card giving the name and date of the discovery was tacked to the trunk.

The region is known as the Tule River basin, and is thickly timbered with the same rare species as that here described—Sequoia gigantea. This and the Sequoia sempervirens are the only survivors of a genus that is known to have flourished ages ago in the interior of North America, the arctic circle and Asia and Europe. To-day all that remain are confined to the central portion of the Golden state.

In the Tule river country several large sawmills are converting the mammoth logs into building material and the industry is thriving. An expert has figured from its dimensions that Methusalem contains 730,000 feet of inch lumber.

Around Dillonwood, on the north fork of the Tule, are some remarkable trees. One is the Wishbone, a living tree, through whose trunk runs a wagon road. Another one is the "Hercules," 30 feet in diameter, which is used as a residence and store. It has two large rooms on the ground.

The Eight Sisters, a handsome group of eight trees, stand in a perfect row and average 14 feet in diameter and 250 feet in height.

Among the logs that litter the ground is one burned out at a remote time. It is 93 feet long and the hollow throughout is 23 feet in diameter. In it is room for a large camping party in summer, and in winter it has sheltered dozens of men and horses at a time.

OBJECTS OF THE GRANGE.

Its Elevating Influence on the Farmer's Life and Occupation.

Whene'er a noble deed is wrought,
Whene'er is spoke a noble thought,
Our hearts in glad surprise
To higher levels rise.
—Longfellow.

The objects of the grange are ennobling. Its results are many a noble deed has been wrought, and many a noble thought spoken, and hearts and minds and thoughts of many a farmer and farmer's wife have arisen to a higher level.

Selfishness, narrowness and backwardness have no place in America today. The American farmer, more than any other class, should be above these things, and, thanks to the grange, he is rapidly rising above them.

We are all of us students, and all should be anxious to develop the nobler instincts of our natures, and nowhere else can we find so good an opportunity for development as in the grange.

In the great industrial development of the present time we observe with more or less of concern the tremendous organization of capital, which will not be stopped by public opinion and cannot be controlled by legislation. We see the ironclad organization of labor which rises above the power of injunction or the force of bayonets.

In this great crisis the great middle class, the agriculturists, "the hope and strength of the nation," inspired by noble thoughts to the doing of noble deeds, can well band themselves into an organization like the grange, whose object is the bettering of themselves and the world.

The same forces that lead to organization of capital and impel to industrial union point plainly to the social, business and fraternal co-operation of the farmers.

As the future of this republic depends upon a successful agriculture and a successful agriculture depends upon a thorough knowledge of the business and an understanding of our relations to each other and to the world, then it is not so much a selfish desire as patriotic impulse that leads us to take up the work of the grange, and as the grange is developed along the lines it has marked out for itself so will there be developed a higher manhood and womanhood. Nobler deeds will be wrought, nobler thoughts will be spoken, higher levels attained, and in the enlightenment and general improvement we will share with the rest and our reward will be sure and certain.—W. N. Giles, Secretary New York State Grange.

An Important Decision.

National Master Jones made an important decision at the session of the Maine state grange and settled a point

HON. AARON JONES OF SOUTH BEND, IND., MASTER NATIONAL GRANGE.

that has caused much discussion. The decision was in regard to the reading of the records and was as follows:

"The minutes of the meeting of a subgrange should be received and adopted at the close of the said meeting. At the opening of the following meeting the record should be read for the information of those present. No other action should be taken."

A Popular Adage.

A man said the other day, "I don't believe in the grange," and he evidently was sincere. It is a popular adage, "It makes no difference what a man believes so long as he is sincere." Let us see. I take a train for the north, firmly believing that it is the train for the south. Will I bring up at the south just the same? It makes all the difference in the world whether we believe in anything because we have investigated it or whether our belief is founded on ignorance. Our belief in anything does not make it so if it is not truth.—G. A. F.

A Foundation Principle.

"To develop a better and higher manhood and womanhood among ourselves" is one of the foundation principles of the grange. When we begin to look around us to see how we can lighten the burden on some other shoulders, then it is that we begin the development of a truly higher type of manhood and womanhood within ourselves. If we can put some touches of rosy sunset into the life of those about us, then we may feel that we have not lived in vain.

Objects of the Grange.

"United by the strong and faithful ties of agriculture, we mutually resolve to labor for the good of our order, our country and mankind." Nothing narrow or hidebound in that declaration of the object of the grange organization! How many of us fully realize what it means to labor for the good of some one besides ourselves? Let's try this year to make that our motive for being in the grange.

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Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.
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OLD AGE.—Old age as it comes in the orderly process of Nature is a beautiful and majestic thing. The very shadow of eclipse which threatens it, makes it the more prized. It stands for experience, knowledge, wisdom and counsel That is old age as it should be. But old age as it so often is means nothing but a second childhood of mind and body. What makes the difference? Very largely the care of the stomach. In youth and the full strength of manhood it doesn't seem to matter how we treat the stomach. We abuse it, overwork it, injure it. We don't suffer from it much. But when age comes the stomach is worn out. It can't prepare and distribute the needed nourishment to the body, and the body, unnourished, falls into senile decay. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery is a wonderful medicine for old people whose stomachs are "weak" and whose digestions are "poor." Its invigorating effects are felt by mind as well as body. It takes the sting from old age, and makes old people strong.

Tommy—"Pop, what is the punishment for bigamy?" Tommy's Pop—"More than one mother-in-law, my son."

CATARRH AND HAY FEVER.—Liquid Cream Balm is becoming quite as popular in many localities as Ely's Cream Balm solid. It is prepared for use in atomizers, and is highly prized by those who have been accustomed to call upon physicians for such a treatment. Many physicians are using and prescribing it. All the medicinal properties of the celebrated Cream Balm are contained in the Liquid form, which is 75 cts. including a spraying tube. All druggists, or by mail. Ely Brothers, 56 Warren St., New York.

When people get married they take each other for better or worse, and it's a toss-up which of them is going to get the worst of it.

A PLEASANT DUTY.—"When I know anything worthy of recommendation, I consider it my duty to tell it," says Rev. Jas. Murdock, of Hamburg, Pa. "Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder has cured me of Catarrh of five years standing. It is certainly magical in its effect. The first application benefited me in five minutes. 50 cts."—5
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Popularity and morality are seldom on friendly terms.

EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that letters testamentary on the estate of Jeremiah J. Brower, late of the town of Bloomsburg, County of Columbia, Pennsylvania, deceased, have been granted to E. B. Brower, resident of said town, to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to
E. B. BROWER,
Executor.
Freeze, Atty.
1-29 6t.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Elisha Stiner late of Centre township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of Elisha Stiner, late of Centre township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrator to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payments, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to
JOANNA STINER,
Administrator.
CLINTON HERRING,
Atty.
1-29-6t*

ELECTION NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the White Milling Company will be held at the office of the Company in Bloomsburg, Pa., on Tuesday, March 24, 1903, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, for the election of officers to serve for the ensuing year, and to vote on the proposed increase of capital stock of the Company.
M. POWELL,
Secretary.
1-15 3t

ADMINISTRATO'S NOTICE.

Estate of I. K. Krickbaum, late of Benton township, deceased.

Notice is hereby given that letters of administration on the estate of I. K. Krickbaum, late of Benton township, deceased, have been granted to the undersigned administrators to whom all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make payment, and those having claims or demands will make known the same without delay to
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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 1903.

There is a little scene in "The Night Before Christmas" which always appeals straight to the heart—about a grave; a man tells of his remorse and voices his determination of vengeance on the wrong doer. Near it the lovers come and tell the sweet story and by its quiet sward the tragedy upon which the dramatic incidents of the play hangs, is enacted. Very seldom the most blase theatre goer can look upon the mound without feeling a lump rising in the throat over the sad life of "Poor Nell" who lies beneath. "The Night Before Christmas" will be seen here tonight.

ARE YOU GOING

to Music Hall, Orangeville, Saturday evening Feb. 14th? An entertainment quite out of the ordinary will take place there on that date Cultured Boston's latest idea. Costumed reciters will compete for prizes. Special numbers will be rendered by the aid of a full orchestra. One feature of the evening will be a contest of the best spelling in the following schools: Benton, Stillwater, Rohrsburg, Light Street, Neyhard's, McHenry's, Canby, Clossen's, White's, Evansville, Fester and Orangeville. The successful school will carry off a silken banner. The entertainment is given by the ladies of the Presbyterian church. Come and enjoy an evening of fun. Admission 10 and 15 cents. Reserved seats 20 cents on sale at Orangeville Store Co.

A Great Treat.

A very fine musical treat will be rendered in the Presbyterian Church Wednesday evening, February 25th, by the Ithaca Conservatory of Music under the auspices of the Womans' Auxiliary to the Y. M. C. A. This musical institution is of the highest standard, and the program will, without a doubt, be an especially fine one. All lovers of music should keep the date and place in mind. Especially on account of the work, the entertainment should have your most liberal patronage.

An Electric Display.

An arc wire crossing an incondescent wire at the corner of Main and Center Streets last night furnished entertainment for a good sized crowd. The insulation had burned off and every time the wind would carry them together there would be produced a stream of silvery trails, resembling the flight of a sky rocket. Michael Tracy repaired the damage.

Good Stenographers Scarce.

A representative of one of the big typewriter companies who was in this city recently said good stenographers were very scarce everywhere. The big corporations are finding much difficulty in employing suitable men for this kind of work.

Centralia's Big Record.

The Centralia colliery of the Lehigh Valley company has just finished the most remarkable month in its history. The shipments for January aggregate over 41,000 tons, the largest ever sent out from this operation.

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THE NEW APPORTIONMENT BILLS

McWhinney Measure May Never Get Out of Committee — Good Roads Bills Introduced—Other Items of Interest.

[Special Correspondence.]

Harirsburg, Feb. 2.—With less than a fortnight of actual working days the present legislature has accomplished a wonderful amount of work. There has been a swing and alacrity about the proceedings and an utter absence of time-consuming "wind-jabbing" that are truly edifying. Bills have thus early gone over to the governor and have been signed; appointments have been made and confirmed; appropriation bills have actually been passed before January waned—and this is something unprecedented — and altogether Senator Quay's prediction that the session would be short and businesslike seems likely to be verified.

Unless something happens! But while forebodings of trouble persist in disturbing the serenity of the peaceful, the legislative sky is clear and without a fleck to mar its brightness. Of course, as the sinister prophets say, there is plenty of time in which the clouds may gather.

The week opens as last week closed, with speculation upon the McWhinney legislative apportionment bill. There are very few people hereabout who expect the measure to pass in its present shape. To a man the Philadelphia members are opposed to it. It gives two additional members to Philadelphia, while it gives eight additional to Allegheny. This would be enough to condemn it in the eyes of the Quaker City representatives. But besides this, of the 25 members composing the house committee on representative apportionment, 17 would be legislated out of office by the McWhinney bill. It is thus easy to perceive why as a general thing the measure is not popular. Chairman Yates, of the committee, is authority for the statement that the bill may never get out of committee. He and several of his colleagues intimate that any person who wishes to be heard before the committee—every representative district being free to have its constituents testify in unlimited numbers—will be given a chance. This line of proceeding would consume pretty nearly all the time of the session, and would effectually bar a report before the day of adjournment. Another apportionment bill, probably inspired by the governor himself, will be introduced, and doubtless some real effort will be made to comply with the constitutional provision, inasmuch as this is the earnest demand of Governor Pennypacker. The McWhinney bill places the total representation at 207, an increase of 3.

Good Roads Bills.

"Good Roads" is a subject just now claiming a good deal of attention, and some effective legislation is pretty certain to be sent to the governor. There is a disposition to be liberal in this connection. The Sproul bill in the senate has been followed by another measure in the house, offered by Mr. Fox, of Chester, and Mr. Creasy, of Columbia, says this is the measure, with some amendments, that will be supported by the Democrats.

The Fox bill practically makes an appropriation of $1,000,000 a year to carry out the provisions of the Hamilton bill of 1897, which became inoperative through an appropriation not accompanying it. The contemplated amendments are that there shall be a canvass of the mileage of the public roads taken every ten years and the money expended proportionately in accordance with that census; that old established roads be favored, and that safeguards be provided against an indiscriminate and unnecessary laying out of new roads.

It was stated in this correspondence a month ago that two contests were to be injected into the house, and they have now made their appearance. They challenge the election of Frank X. Blumle, Democrat, of Cameron, and Bernard J. Ferry, Democrat, of Luzerne, the contestants respectively being Henry H. Mullen and James H. Harvey, Republicans. The subject got before the house in the shape of a resolution from the committee on elections, reported by Mr. Plummer, of Blair, authorizing the committee to hear testimony and determine the contest.

The resolution was adopted by an almost strictly party vote, Mr. Garner, Republican, of Schuylkill, voting with the Democrats, however, while Mr. Hitchcock, of Tioga, conspicuous as an insurgent last session, refrained from voting at all.

Notices of the contests have already been served upon Messrs. Blumle and Ferry, and sub-committees of the general committee will begin hearing the cases in about a week.

Hope For the Miners.

Mr. Garner, of Schuylkill, who leads the anthracite forces in the house, is much more hopeful than two years ago that some legislation acceptable to the miners will come out of this session. "There is a disposition in the house," he says, "that is decidedly friendly to the mine workers, and I think if the members are not interfered with our bills will fare fairly well. As to the sentiment in the senate I am not at all posted. It is an unknown quantity over there, but we will take our chances and hope for the best."

It is doubtful if there has been any session of the state legislature in a long number of years that has been deluged with so many bills dealing with legal practice, court procedure, and similar matters as the present one has encountered. Lawyers in this legislature are especially numerous, both in the senate and house, and nearly every one of them has one or more bills relating to his professional vocation. The great bulk of them are, of course, mainly important to the lawyers themselves, but there are several of them in which litigants and laymen may find something interesting. Two of the latter have just been introduced by Senator Edmiston, of Bradford, and it is understood they emanate from lay rather than professional sources, for the Bradford senator is a farmer—not a lawyer.

One of these bills relates to sheriffs' fees, a subject that has had more or less legislative attention in several recent sessions. Last session the fees were largely increased in a somewhat horizontal manner, and now it is sought to reduce them to the original rates. Edmiston has prepared a table for the use of the legislature, showing the amounts of the old and the present fees. In one class of shrievalty procedure, where the fee was $11 it is now $80, and in others the increases were from $18 to $57, and from $43 to $101. The measure is, of course, in the interest of litigants, the ruling fees being regarded as a hardship in many cases. The other bill referred to requires judges of common pleas and orphans' courts in every county in the state to render decisions in all cases within three months after the date of trial or hearing. It also prohibits the auditor-general furnishing any warrant for a judge's salary until an affidavit is produced showing that decisions have been handed down in accordance with the foregoing provision.

The bill introduced by Senator Berkelbach, of Philadelphia, last week, which modifies to a considerable extent the blue laws still on the statute books, is bound to encounter aggressive opposition. Berkelbach had a similar bill last session, but it fell by the wayside. A public hearing was given on the measure, and nearly a hundred and twenty clergymen were present and appealed so strongly against the proposed legislation that their wishes prevailed. A like protest from all over the state will be lodged again, and an open public discussion on the bill will take place in the senate chamber on the afternoon of February 10. Berkelbach says, however, that he will be better prepared this time, and that he will have delegations of business men present from Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Scranton, Wilkesbarre, Reading, Lancaster, and other large towns throughout the state, who will be prepared to offer arguments in favor of the measure.

Money Matters.

It has been a long while since appropriation bills have been rushed through committee and onto the calendar as rapidly as has been the case this session. There is a rule of the house which prohibits bills of this character being considered until the general appropriation bill has been reported and acted upon, but the general bill has not yet been submitted, and the rule referred to is practically ignored this session.

Chairman Bliss estimates that the total appropriations will exceed those of two years ago by between two and a half and three millions of dollars, even though his committee should cut down the amounts named in the individual bills. It will be up to Governor Pennypacker, probably, to either exercise his veto privileges or do as Governor Stone did—reduce the amounts contained in the bills as passed.

There is one bill, however, that he is expected to sign without question. That is an appropriation of a quarter of a million dollars to the University of Pennsylvania. In a speech recently at the university he advocated liberal state aid for the institution, and every one expects that it will be given. The bill will be introduced this week by Representative Dunn, of Philadelphia, in whose district the university is located. Two years ago the appropriation was only $100,000, and Governor Stone, before signing the measure, lopped off $10,000. It is not anticipated that the increase will meet with serious opposition from the country members, for they will endeavor to have the governor look with a friendly eye upon their own appropriation bills. In all these fiscal matters there is one thing, however, that will play an important part. The estimates submitted by State Treasurer Harris and Auditor - General Hardenbergh show that for the year ending November 30, 1903, the expenditures are likely to exceed the revenues by nearly a million and a quarter dollars. This is explained by the fact that $2,500,000 will be required this year for the new capitol, and does not take into account any legislation that may result in additional taxation.

A bill compelling street car and trolley car companies to heat their coaches properly during cold and wintry weather is being prepared by Representative Snyder, of Schuylkill. The measure will provide for a conspicuously displayed thermometer similar to that in use in railroad coaches.

Still another new county in contemplation! Representative Ferry, of Luzerne, has a bill to create a new county made up of the lower end of that county and parts of Schuylkill and Carbon.

There was hardly a session of the house or senate last week at which petitions were not presented praying for local option or protesting against its repeal in certain counties where it now exists. These came principally from Allegheny and other western counties, and are preliminary to expected legislation in this connection.

HUGH DONNELLY.

Y. M. C. A. Celebrates

Anniversary Exercises Numerously Attended.

President's and Treasurer's Report.

That the Young Men's Christian Association is a potent factor in the spiritual and moral life of the town was fully exemplified Sunday evening. The occasion was the celebration of the anniversary of the organization. Services were arranged and speakers provided, for not only some of the churches of town but for Espy and Rupert as well.

It was indeed a unique idea on the part of general secretary B. F. Armstrong, and he could have conceived of no better way, and at no better time, its anniversary—to bring the necessity for, and real value of the Young Men's Christian Association before the people.

The value of the young man, the necessity for serving him and the need of the Y. M. C. A. was the general subject, upon which the following gentlemen spoke:

Thomas Thorburn, of Wilkes-Barre; S. W. Dickson and J. R. Reibe, of Berwick, Judge Hinckley and W. D. Laumaster, of Danville, and F. H. Gamel, of Hazleton. From town were A. N. Yost, J. W. Lewis, Prof. C. H. Albert, W. H. Brooke, Dr. J. W. Bruner and W. M. Weaver. In addition a Union service of the three Espy churches was held at which Dr. J. P. Welsh and H. H. Shultz were the speakers, and at Rupert where Prof. O. H. Bakeless and J. J. Robinson were the speakers.

The following reports of the officers show the growth and prosperity of the Association.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

In presenting the annual report we desire to call special attention to several departments of our work during the past year.

The Religious Departments for which primarily all Young Men's Christian's Associations are organized, has done, we believe, a splendid work. Fifty-one men's Gospel services were held on as many Sabbath afternoons, with 2970 total attendance, an average of 58.

Four of these were Missionary addresses and were given by H. A. Black, of New York City; Mr. Dryer of China; Miss Seesholtz of India, and Mr. Frost, Director of the China Inland Mission.

One hundred and fourteen sessions of the New Testament Reading Club were held with a total attendance of 473, average attendance 4.

Fifty-two Prayer Meetings with a total attendance of 227.

Sixteen sessions of Personal Workers' Class were held, total attendance 129, average 8.

Two Bible Conferences were held. The first was conducted by J. H. Hunter, Assistant Superintendent of the Moody Bible Class Institute, December 17th to 22nd. Of this nine sessions were held with a total attendance of 640, average 71. The second was conducted by Hon. E. A. Coray, April 20-25, 6 sessions total attendance 114, average 24.

Twenty-two sessions of the Class in Synthetic Bible Study with a total attendance of 465, average 21. This class and the Bible Conference were open for both men and women.

Eighty-four other religious services were held by the Association and General Sacretary, with a total attendance of 8263, average 98.

22600 printed invitations and 500 Bible Study prospectuses were distributed in the interest of this department.

A very manifest interest is apparent in the Bible Study Classes. Sections of this work are now being organized in Rupert and Espy. Shop bible classes for the many men employed therein is a new feature of our work. Recently a movement was set on foot looking toward the purchase of a portable organ to be used in these shop meetings. Largely the men employed in the shops are paying for the organ. This will add very materially to the interest of the work. To bring to the many busy toilers in our shops and factories at the noon hour, the truths of the Gospel through a service of song and Bible exposition, is certainly in keeping with the purpose for which our Association has been founded.

EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.

In the reading room 1392 dailies, 792 weeklies, and 252 monthlies were placed on file.

Evening Educational Classes were conducted in the following branches: Book-keeping, short hand, free hand drawing, mechanical drawing, arithmetic, penmanship, and English grammar.

Ninety-one sessions were held with a total attendance of 545, average 6. The school had a total enrollment of 48 men. Eight hundred educational prospectuses and 50 window cards were used in advertising this department of the work.

Possibly the greatest hindrance to this work last year, was the lack of proper accommodations for the work.

PHYSICAL DEPARTMENT.

There were 31 sessions of the Physical Culture classes, these were organized late in the spring last year and only this number of sessions were held because of the lateness of the session when they were organized.

Two classes are now maintained one for boys and one for men. The facilities for this work are so very inadequate that only a very limited amount of work can be done.

The tennis court was opened the latter part of July, 350 persons used the court and 67 matched games were played. Tournament games were played with teams from Berwick, Danville, Northumberland and Sunbury.

Open air basket ball was also very popular. This feature of our work was new last year and was greatly appreciated by the young men.

Thirty committees were held during the year with a total attendance of 165, average 6.

Four hundred and fifty letters were written and many business visits made by the secretary in the interest of the work.

Fifty-six new members were added to the Association making the present membership 209.

THE FINANCES.

Of the finances of the Association, because of the generous liberality of our townspeople we can speak most encouragingly. Every obligation in the line of current expenses for the year has been fully met. There was subscribed and paid into the treasury $2104.58 and there was expended $2102.79. The financial budget as made up by the finance committee for the present year shows $2500, as necessary to meet the prospective needs of the Association for the year.

The employment of an assistant secretary, which the growth of the work made imperative, accounts largely for the increased amount asked for. We have no hesitancy in expressing our confidence in the liberality of our citizens in responding to this increased call for support.

LADIES' AUXILIARY.

Our report would not be complete if reference were not made to our Ladies' Auxiliary.

We believe that no other Association anywhere can boast of a more loyal and responsive auxiliary than ours.

Ever ready to respond to any call of the Board of Directors for financial aid or for any needed cleaning of rooms in our building, these ladies have again and again rendered most needed service. We desire to extend to them the most hearty thanks of the Association.

Our earnest prayer is that God in His wisdom may lead us all to see more clearly the opportunities here presented for reaching young men for good, and that we may continue to be worthy of his presence and guidance.

Respectfully yours,
CHARLES H. ALBERT,
President.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts—	
Balance on hand Oct. 1, '01	$ 63 29
Anniversary collections	11 68
Sunday Men's Meeting collection	44 91
Bible Class offerings and missions.	22 30
Bible conference offerings	25 08
Membership dues	221 50
Subscriptions	1476 77
Special con. to educational work	7 15
Special con. to religious meetings.	7 80
Special con. to boys work	6 00
Special con. to tennis court	35 05
Special con. to other objects	10 73
Sale of materials	25 35
Rents	135 50
Gate receipts to tournament games.	9 50
	$2104 58
RELIGIOUS DEPARTMENT.	
Expenditures—	
To Rev. C. E. Hurlburt	$ 16 00
To Moody Bible Inst. ex. fund	20 60
To Africa Inland mission	17 40
To China Inland mission	4 90
To Exp. ofspeakers men's meet	34 52
To printing	25 80
To collection baskets	50
	$ 119 72
EDUCATIONAL DEPARTMENT.	
Periodicals for reading soom	$ 32 45
Printing, blackboard and supplies	18 80
	$ 51 25
PHYSICAL DEPARTMENT.	
Plumbing, coal, instructor	$ 34 40
Grading tennis court	70 02
Lumber, clay, &c	17 06
Athletic supplies	17 25
	$ 138 73
GENERAL.	
Repairs	$ 62 73
Office expenses	41 90
Int. on b'ld, debts, notes in bank	138 61
Boys' work	21 00
Heat and light	154 40
Miscellaneous	65 70
Salaries	1298 70
	$1793 14
Total expenditures	$2102 79

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